

FIG. 3

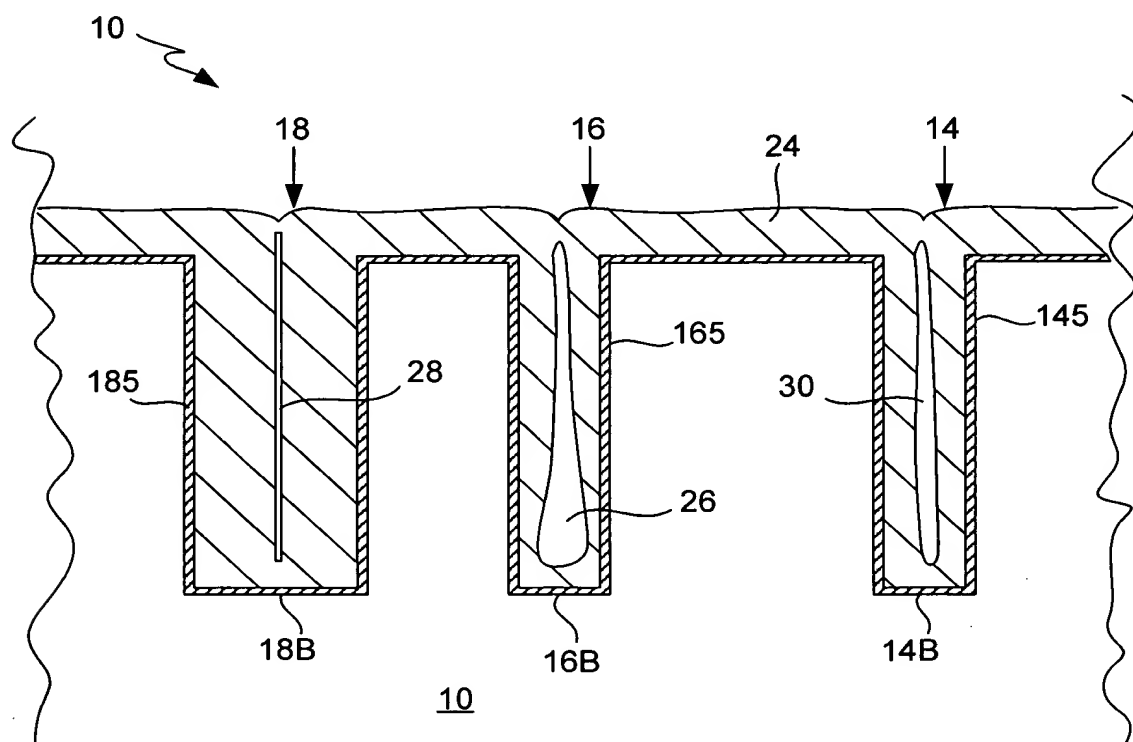


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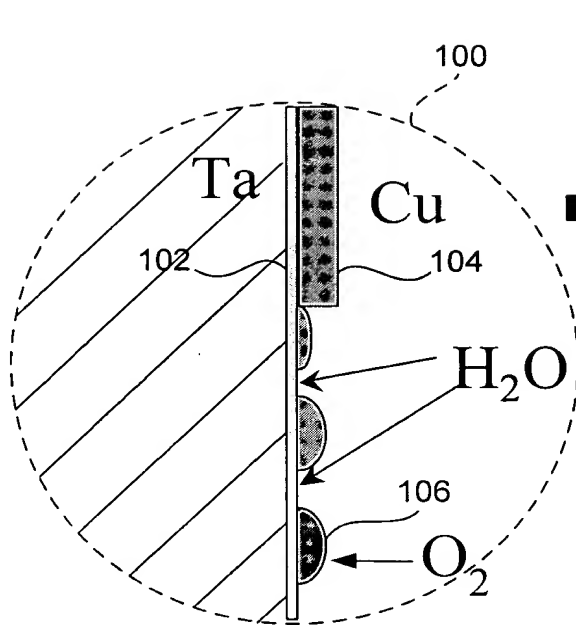


FIG. 5A

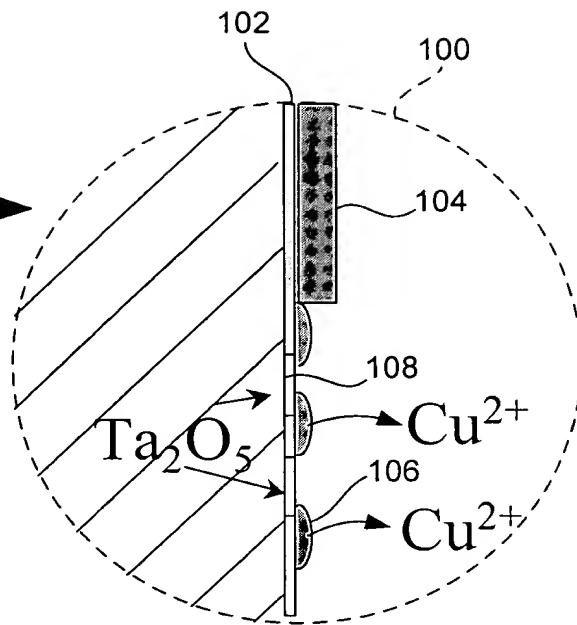


FIG. 5B

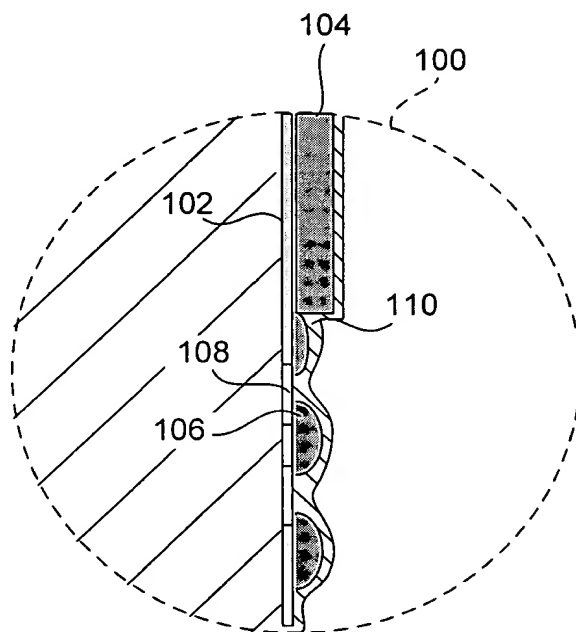


FIG. 6

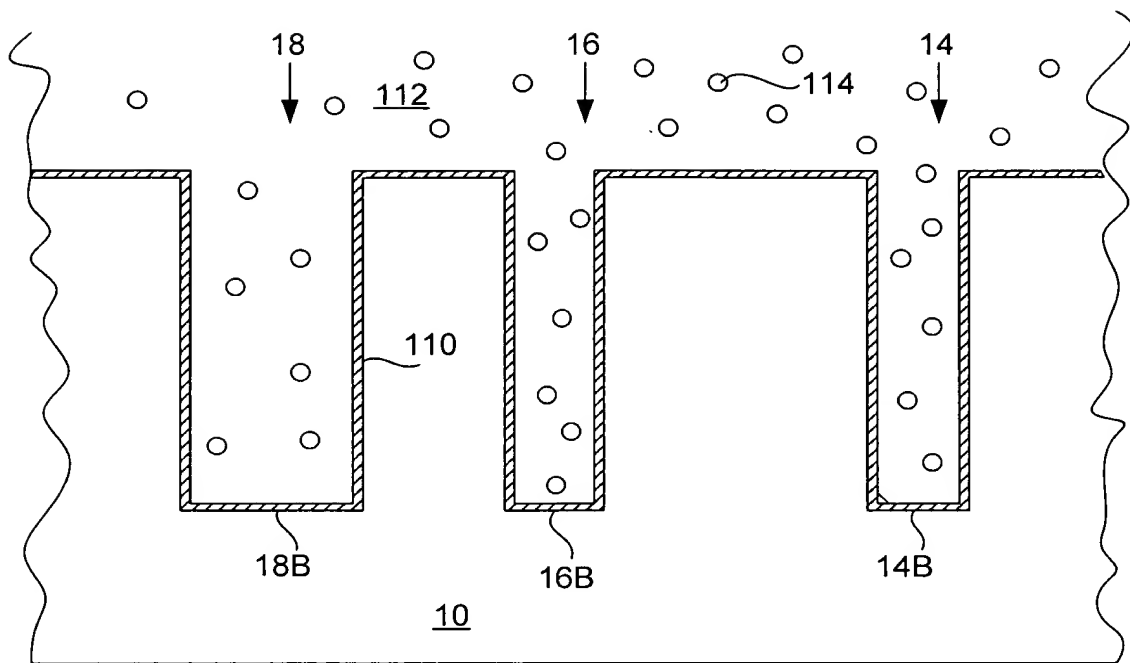


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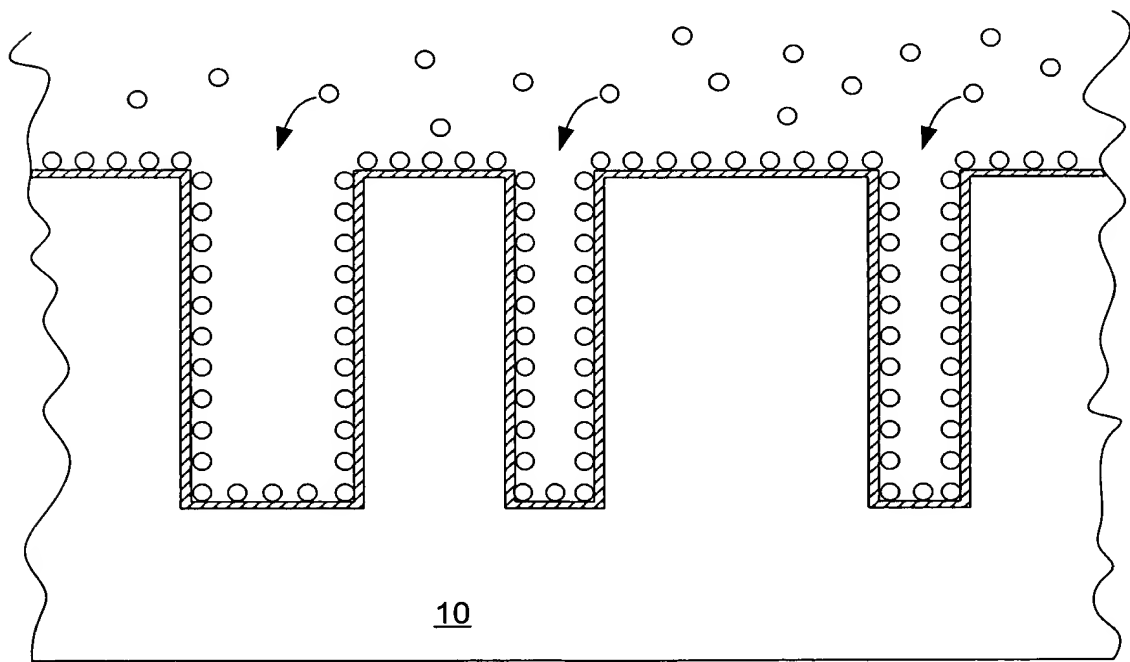


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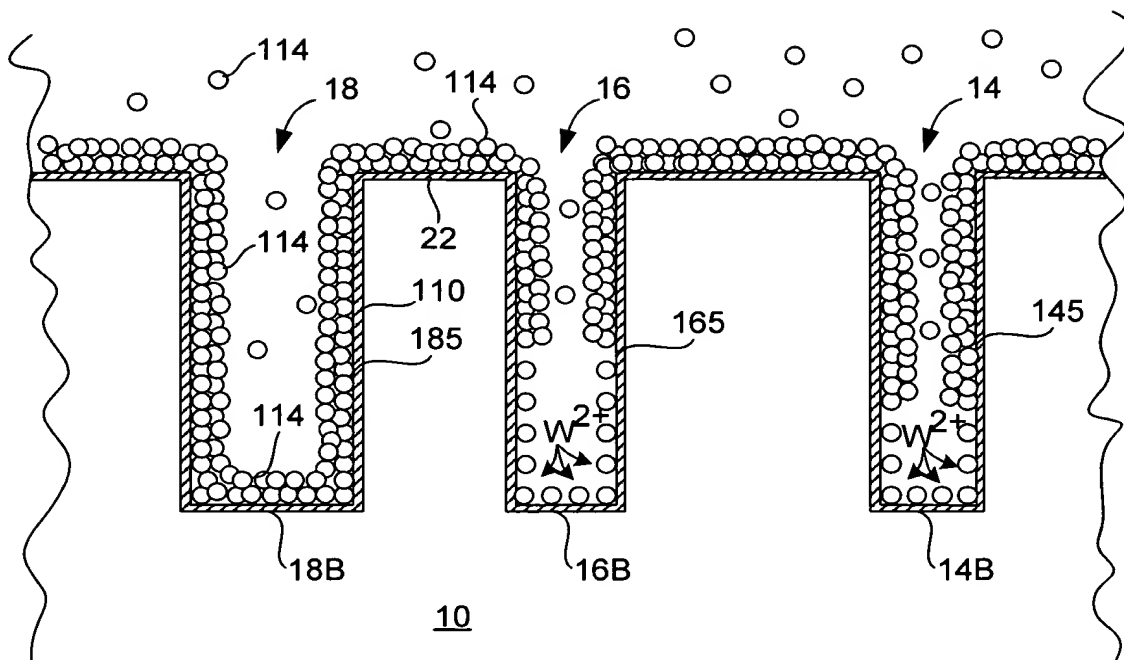


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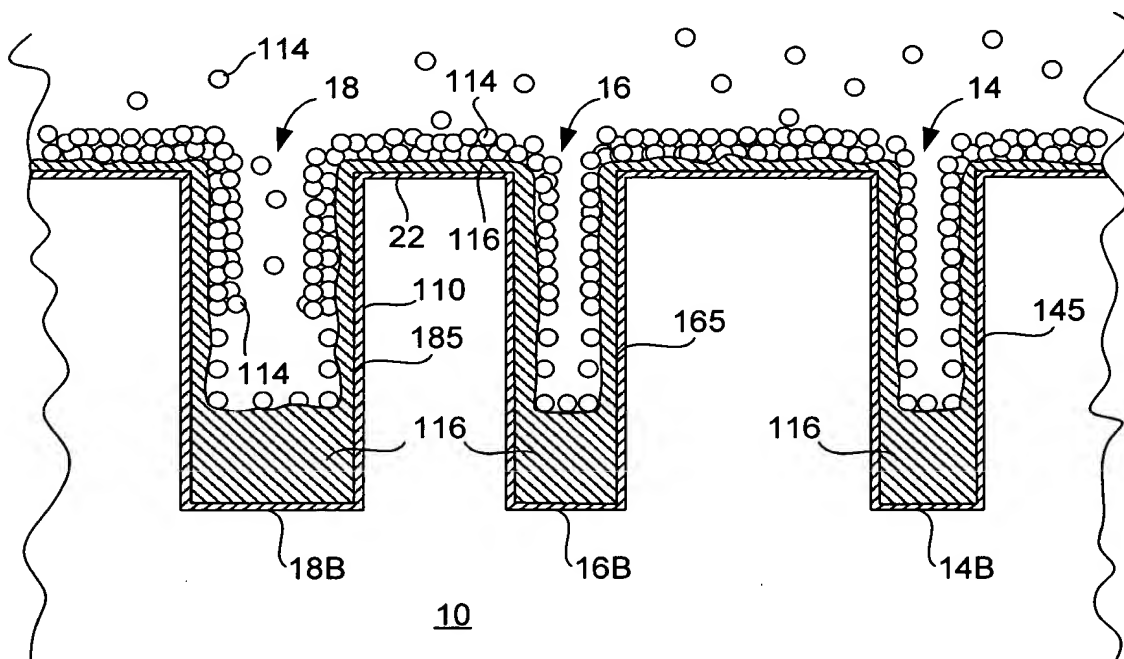


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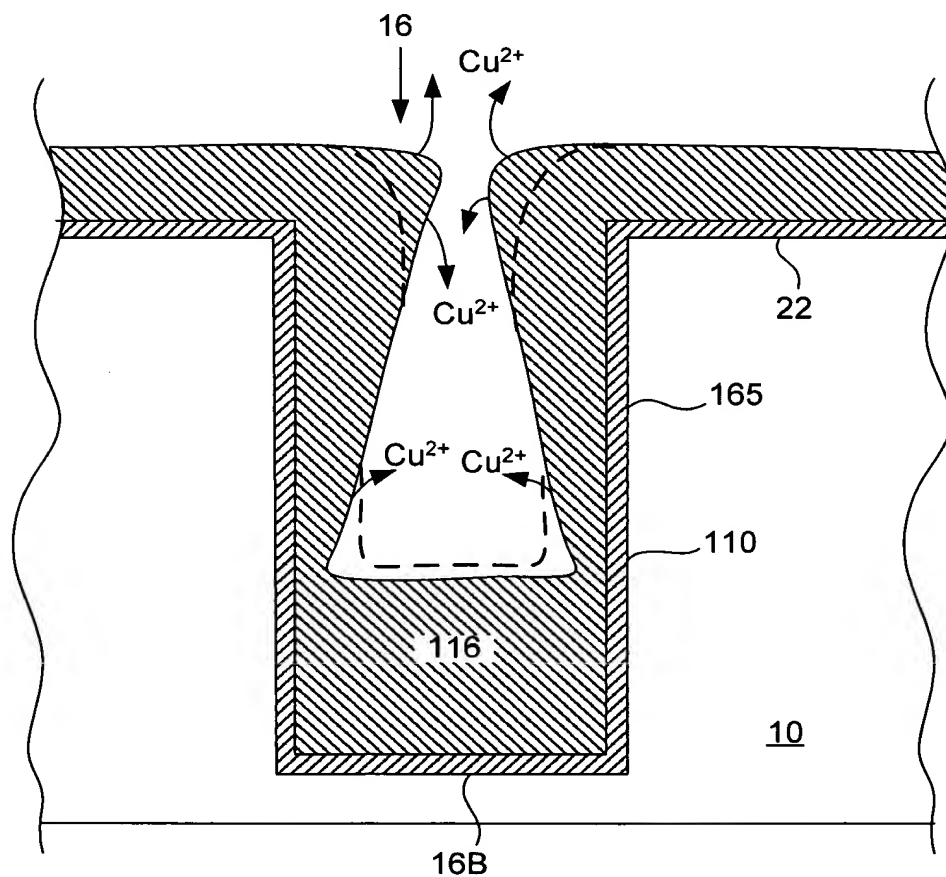
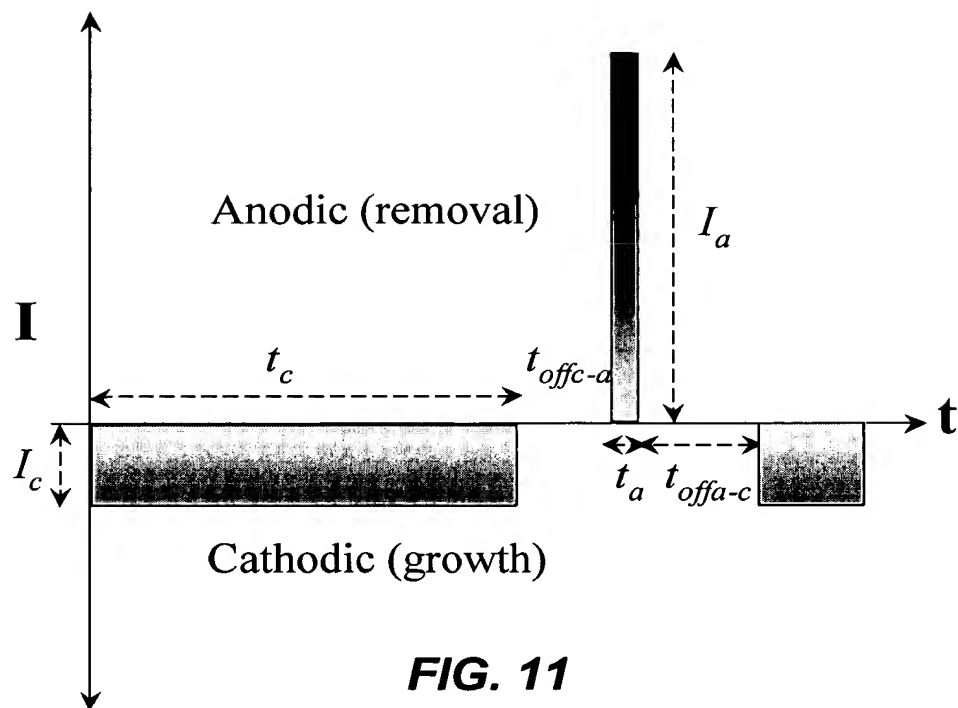


FIG. 12

Effect of % Vias/Trench on Bottom up fill Total Current

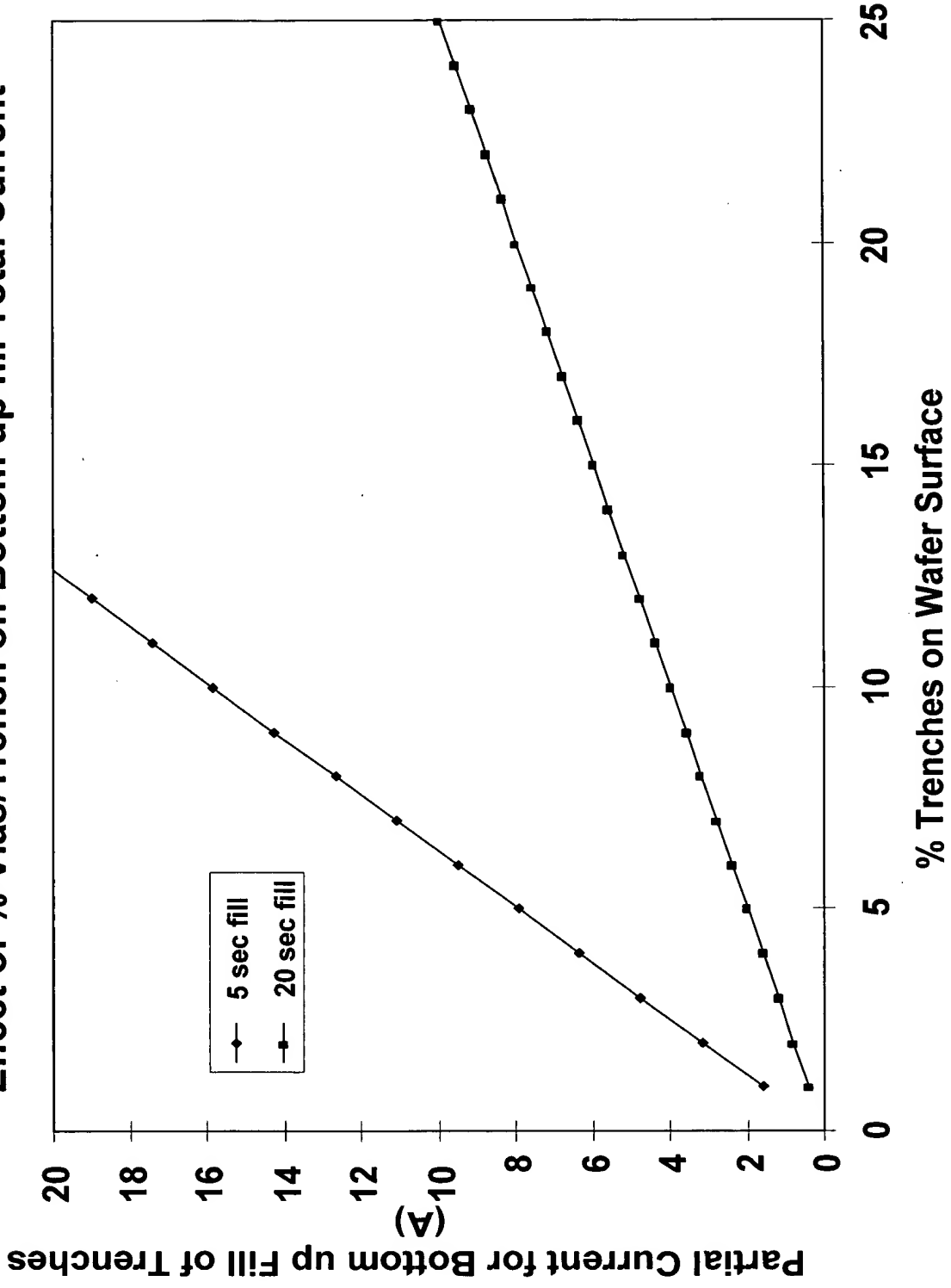
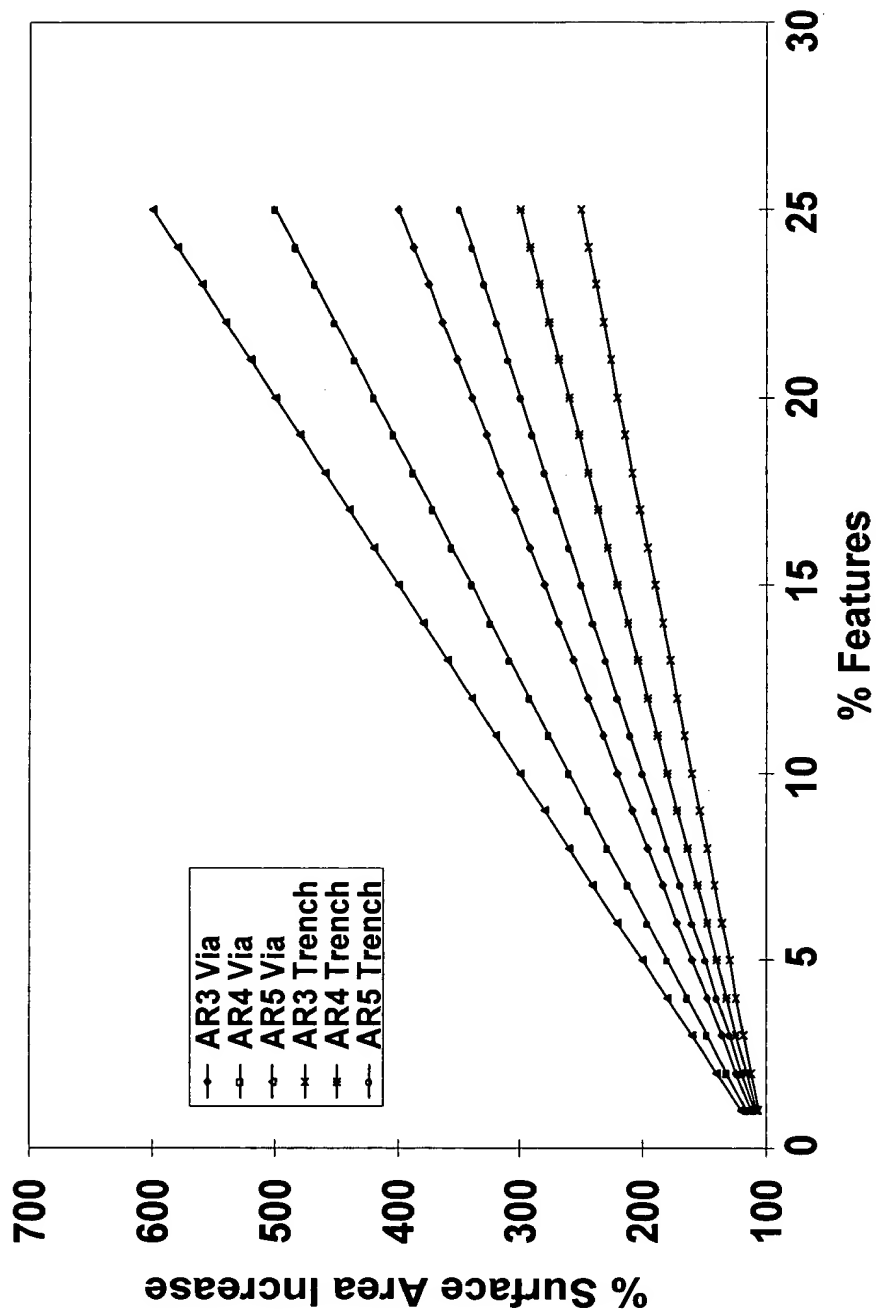


FIG. 13

Surface Area with Features of various Aspect Ratios



$$\frac{A_{total}}{A_{wafer}} = f_{field} + \sum_{i=1}^n f_i [1 + 4A] + \sum_{j=1}^m f_j [1 + 2A]$$

FIG. 14

How Much Additive Comes in With the Solution?

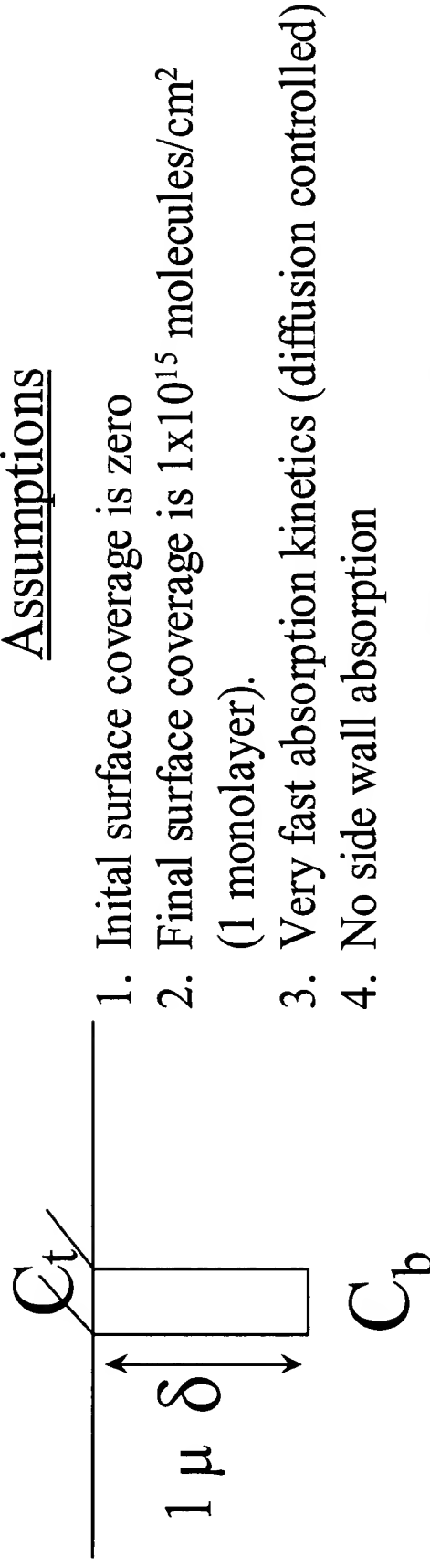
| Aspect Ratio | | Surface to Solution Molecules | | | | | Ratio: | |
|--------------|--|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|--|--------|--|
| 2 | | 299 | 60 | 155 | 52 | | | |
| 2.5 | | 365 | 73 | 190 | 63 | | | |
| 3 | | 432 | 86 | 224 | 75 | | | |
| 3.5 | | 498 | 100 | 259 | 86 | | | |
| 4 | | 565 | 113 | 293 | 98 | | | |
| 4.5 | | 631 | 126 | 327 | 109 | | | |
| 5 | | 697 | 139 | 362 | 121 | | | |
| 5.5 | | 764 | 153 | 396 | 132 | | | |

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| ppm | 20 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 300 |
| MW | 100 | 100 | 3000 | 3000 | 3000 |
| Moles/um ³ | 2.0E-19 | 1.0E-18 | 3.3E-20 | 1E-19 | 1E-19 |
| Molec/um ³ | 120460 | 602300 | 20077 | 60230 | 60230 |
| Molecules size (nm) | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| Molec/um ² | 4000000 | 4000000 | 346021 | 346020.8 | 346020.8 |

Conclusion: At all expected additive condition, there is insufficient material stored in the initial solution within the via to lead to substantial surface absorption in the via.
 -There will be an absorption time delay.

FIG. 15

Time Estimate for Plating Additives Absorption



$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta C &= 10 \text{ ppm} = 5.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M} / \text{cm}^3 \\
 \delta &= 1 \mu = 1.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm} \\
 D &= 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^2 / \text{sec}
 \end{aligned}$$

Conclusions

1. Diffusion controlled absorption inside of trench take a few seconds.
2. Larger surface area of trench will increase this time from this estimate.
3. High additive level will decrease time estimate

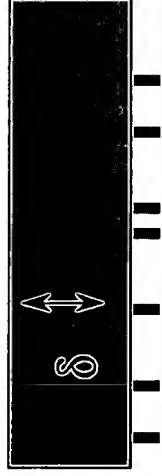
$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= \frac{D \Delta C}{\delta} = 5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ M} / \text{sec cm}^2 = 3.4 \times 10^{14} \text{ molecules} / \text{sec cm}^2 \\
 t_{\text{abs}} &= 1 \times 10^{-15} \text{ molecules} / \text{cm}^2 / 3.4 \times 10^{14} \text{ molecules} / \text{sec cm}^2 = 2.9 \text{ sec}
 \end{aligned}$$

FIG. 16

Time Estimate for Absorption of Plating Additives

Assumptions

1. Initial surface coverage is zero everywhere
2. Final surface coverage is 1×10^{15} molecules/cm² (1 monolayer).
3. Very fast absorption kinetics (diffusion controlled)
4. Concentration at edge of boundary layer is bulk



$$\Delta C = 10 \text{ ppm} = 5.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M} / \text{cm}^3$$

$$\delta = 5.7 \mu = 5.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$$

$$D = 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^2 / \text{sec}$$

Conclusions

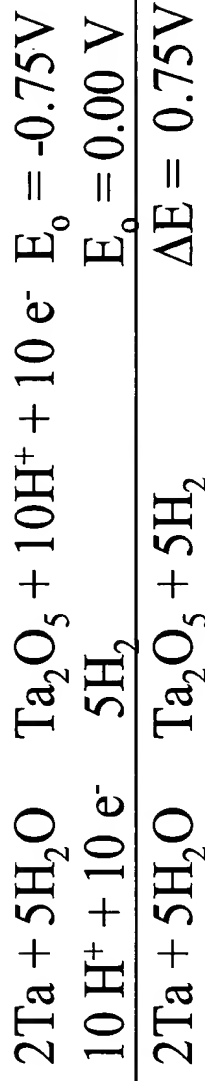
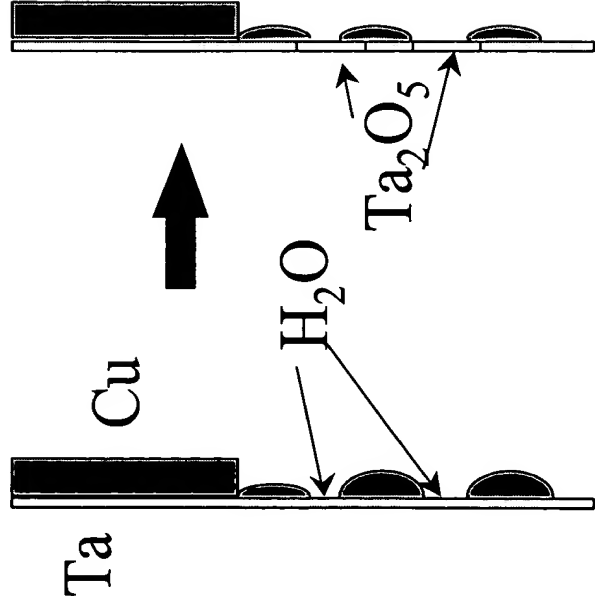
Diffusion of very low concentration plating additives may take several seconds to occur

$$F = \frac{D \Delta C}{\delta} = 1 \times 10^{-10} \text{ M} / \text{sec cm}^2 = 0.7 \times 10^{14} \text{ molecules} / \text{sec cm}^2$$

$$t_{\text{abs}} = 1 \times 10^{15} \text{ molecules} / \text{cm}^2 / 0.7 \times 10^{14} \text{ molecules} / \text{sec cm}^2 = 14 \text{ sec}$$

FIG. 17

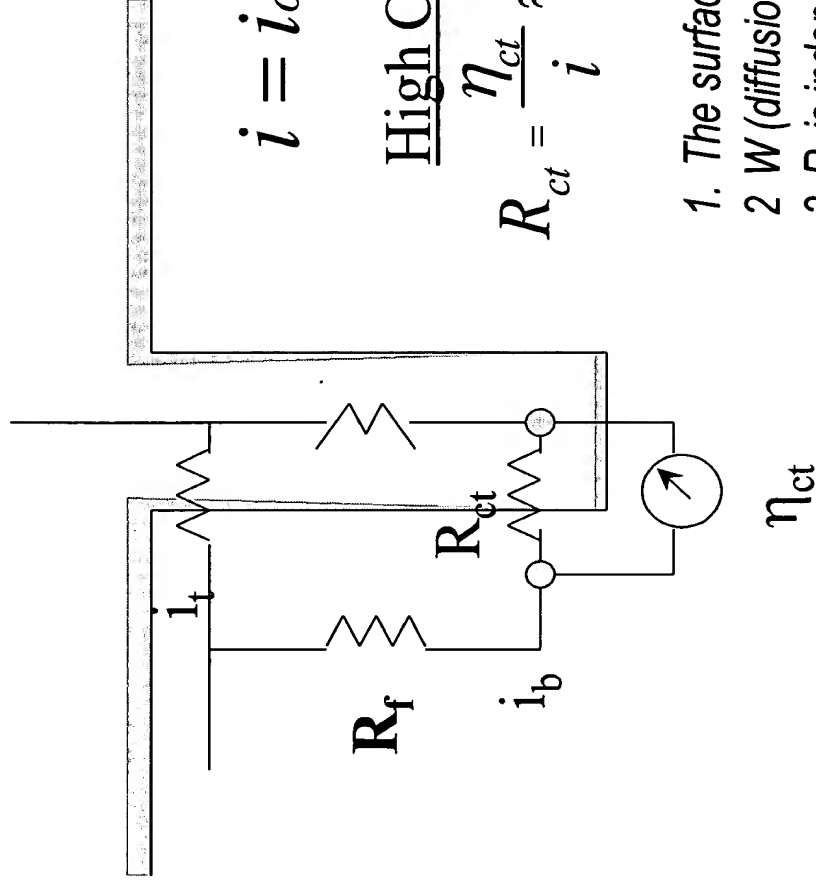
How Would Ta_2O_5 be Formed in the Side Walls?



Conclusions: Formation of Ta_2O_5 is anticipated (thermodynamics)
Question: How much of the Ta is expected to be converted to the electrically insulating oxide?

FIG. 18

Equivalent Circuit Model of Via/Trench Filling



$$i = i_o [e^{-\alpha n f \eta_{ct}} - e^{(1-\alpha) n f \eta_{ct}}]$$

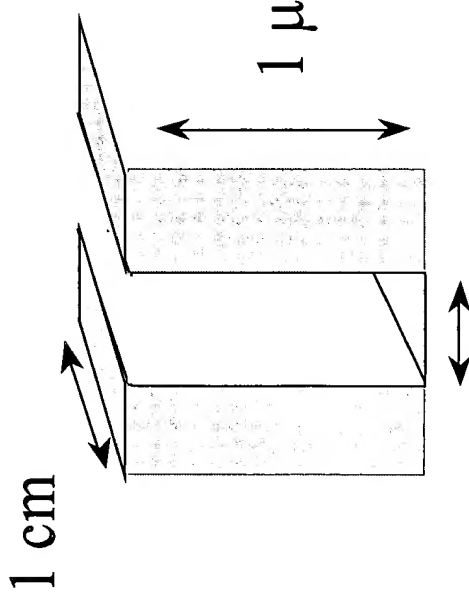
$$R_{ct} = \frac{\eta_{ct}}{i} \approx \frac{\eta_{ct}}{i_o e^{-\alpha n f \eta_{ct}}} \quad \text{High Current} \quad \text{Low Current} \quad R_{ct} = \frac{1}{i} \frac{\eta_{ct}}{i_o n F}$$

1. The surface resistance **increases** with decreasing current !
2. W (diffusion resistance) increases with increasing current
3. R_f is independant of current

When is R_f significant ?

FIG. 19

Electrical Resistances and Filling of Small Features



$$w = 0.25 \mu$$

$$R = \frac{\rho L}{2A} = 4 m\Omega, 50 k\Omega$$

$$\Delta V = IR = (iw)R$$

$$\Delta V_{Ta} = 1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ to } 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ V}$$

$$\Delta V_{Ta2O5} = 0.003 \text{ to } 0.16 \text{ V}$$

Assumptions

1. Only Ta or TaO₂ (2 nm thick) is present on side wall for electrical conductivity
2. Plating occurs only at bottom of trench at 10-500 mA/cm² (conformal vs fast bottom-up fill rates).

$$\rho_{Ta} = 16 \times 10^{-6} \Omega \text{ cm}, \rho_{Ta2O5} = 50 \Omega \text{ cm}$$

Conclusions

1. If sidewall metallic Ta of 2 nm is present in the feature, electrical resistivity is insignificant.
2. If sidewall material is cracked, exposed to oxygen and converted to TaO₂, the electrical resistance in the film will be to large to support bottom-up filling.

FIG. 20

Nucleation Phenomena

$$\Delta G_t = \pi r^2 (2\sigma_{13} + \sigma_{12}^- \sigma_{23}) + \frac{2}{3} \pi r^3 \Delta G_v$$

$$\frac{\Delta G_t}{v_m} = \frac{3 (2\sigma_{13} + \sigma_{12}^- \sigma_{23})}{2v_m r} + \Delta \bar{G}_v$$

$$E(r) = \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \left[\frac{3 (2\sigma_{13} + \sigma_{12}^- \sigma_{23})}{2v_m r} + \Delta \bar{G}_v \right]$$

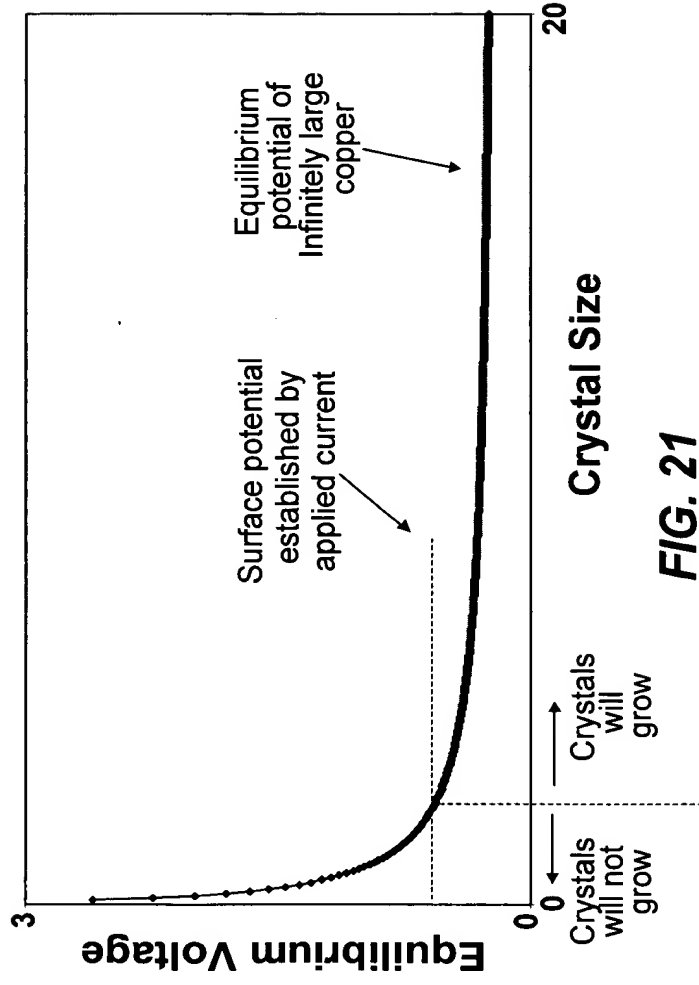
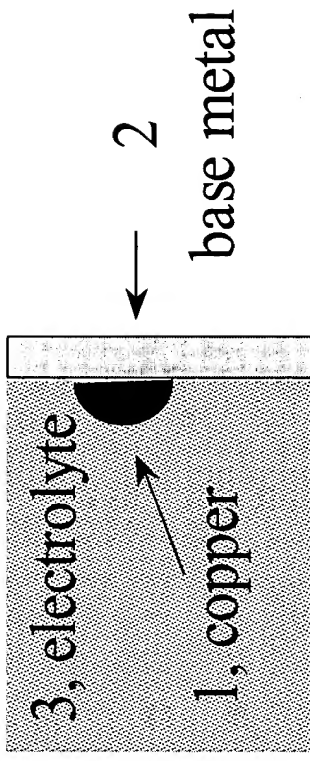
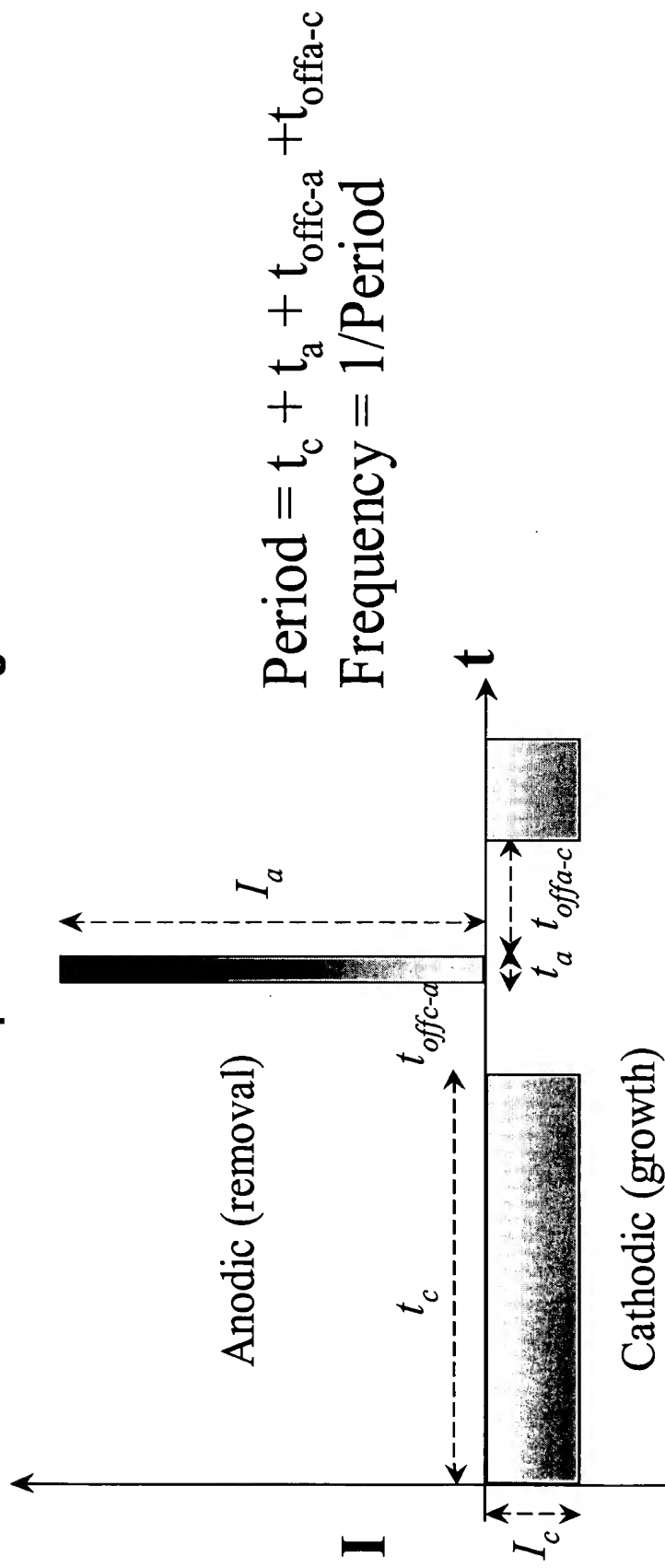


FIG. 21

Bipolar Pulse Plating Waveform

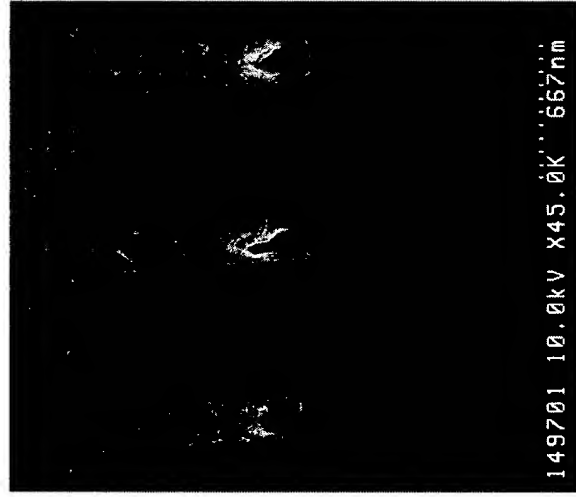


Constraint: $I_c \cdot t_c - I_a \cdot t_a > 0$

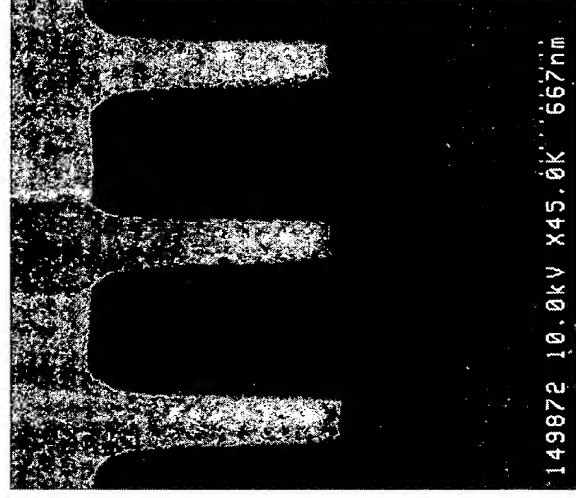
FIG. 22

Bipolar pulse plating: Phase 1-waveform screening

- ◆ Select tests done on SEMATECH backfilled vias (Apr 98, 3)
- ◆ Bipolar pulse with hi anodic current showed improvement over POR
- ◆ Eliminated other pulse waveforms



POR 1.0, 7A DC



10A Cathodic, 80 A Anodic,
125 Hz, 10 msec t_{off}

FIG. 23

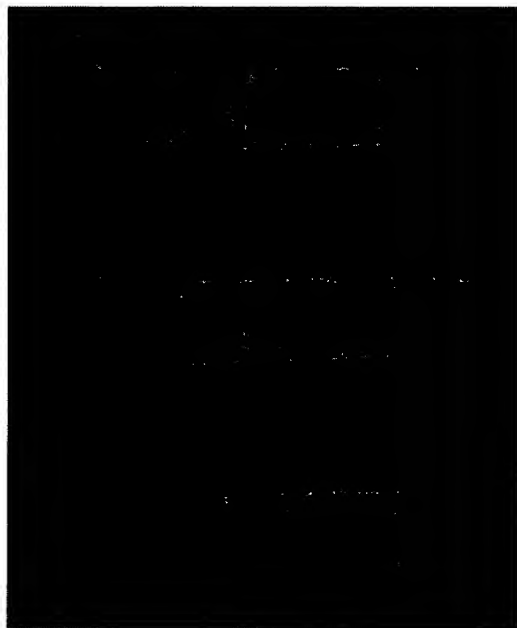


Bipolar pulse plating: Phase2-Trench optimization

- ◆ **1"x1" SEMATECH backfilled trenches with HCM- α seed taped on 8" wafers (52)**
- ◆ **2 types of waveforms tested**
- ◆ **No pulsed waveform resulted in better fill than POR 1.0**
- ◆ **Higher pulsed anodic currents improved top filling**
- ◆ **Lower pulsed cathodic current improved filling**
 - longer on-times were better
- ◆ **Need to perform tests with initiation on vias**

FIG. 24

Fill Improvement: Reverse pulse matrix



A

Field 5, 0.34 μm , AR = 4.5 B



Control, 7A DC

| Pulse Matrix | | | | |
|--------------|----|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------|
| # | Ic | t _c /t _a ratio | Freq (Hz) | T off |
| A | 4 | 25 | 10 | 0 |
| B | 4 | 25 | 10 | 3 |

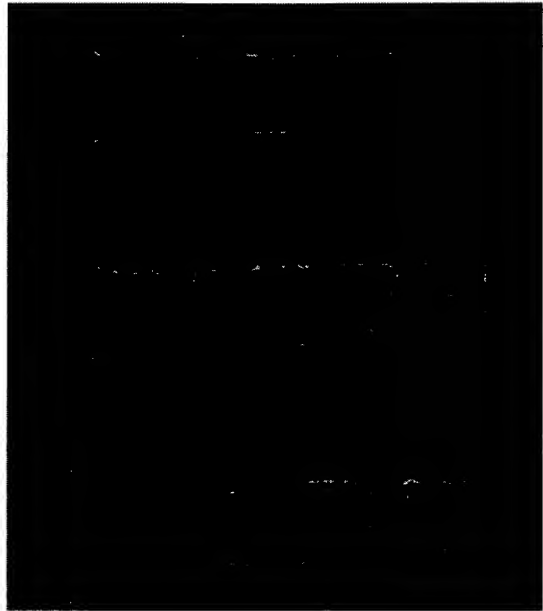
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- Seed: 1600Å HCM Cu/250Å HCM Ta
- Plate: Step 1: 0.25A DC, 50 sec
Step 2: Pulse

FIG. 25

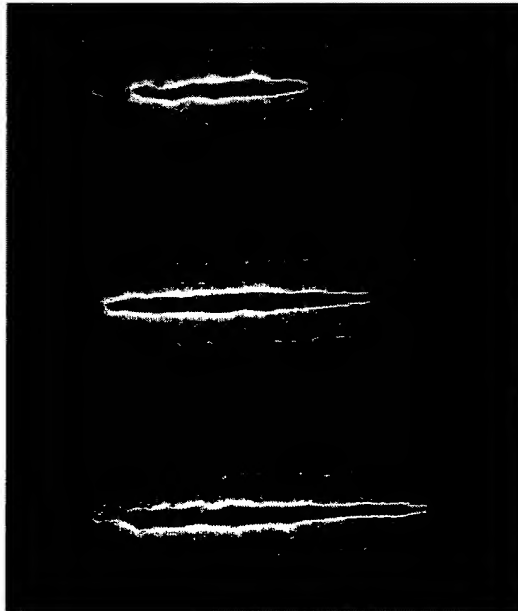
Fill Improvement: Reverse pulse matrix



A



B



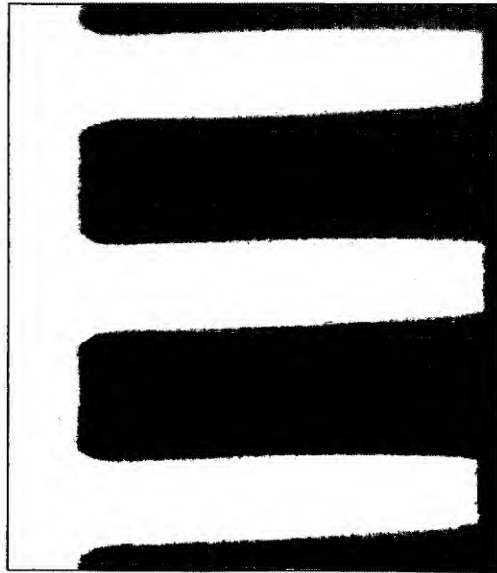
Control, 7A DC

| Pulse Matrix | | | | |
|--------------|----|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------|
| # | Ic | t _c /t _a ratio | Freq (Hz) | T off |
| A | 4 | 24 | 100 | 0 |
| B | 4 | 22 | 100 | 3 |

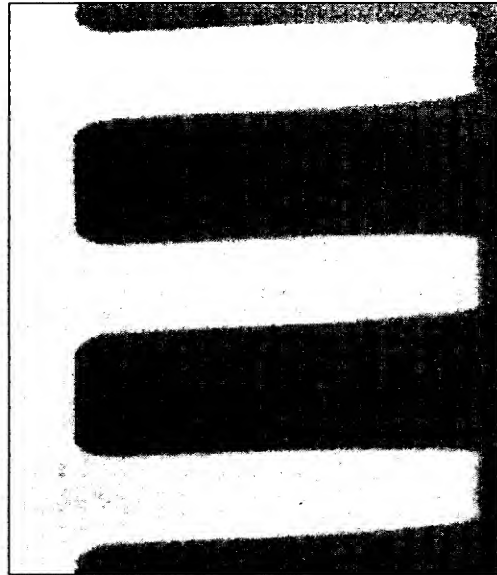
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- Seed: 1600Å HCM Cu/250Å HCM Ta
- Plate: Step 1: 0.25A DC, 50 sec
Step 2: Pulse

FIG. 26

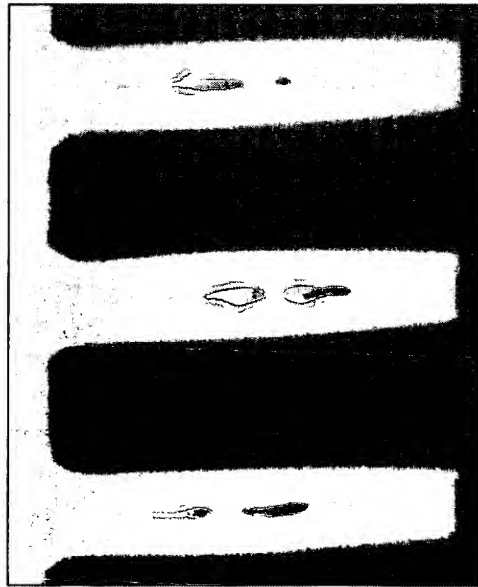
Reverse pulse matrix: Impact of t_c/t_a ratio/freq.



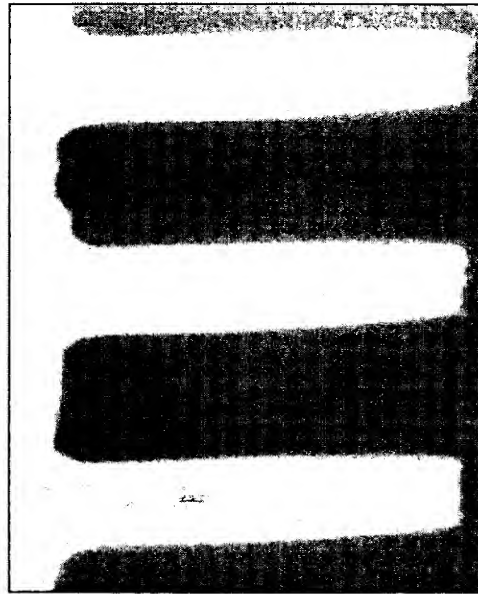
A



B



C



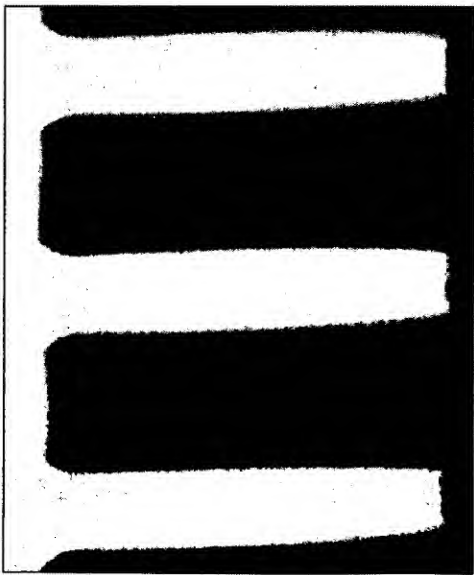
D

•Feature: SEMATECH
 Standard vias, Field 5, 0.34 μm , AR = 4.5
•Seed: 1600Å HCM
 Cu/250Å HCM Ta
•Plate: Step 1: 0.25A DC, 50 sec
 Step 2: Pulse

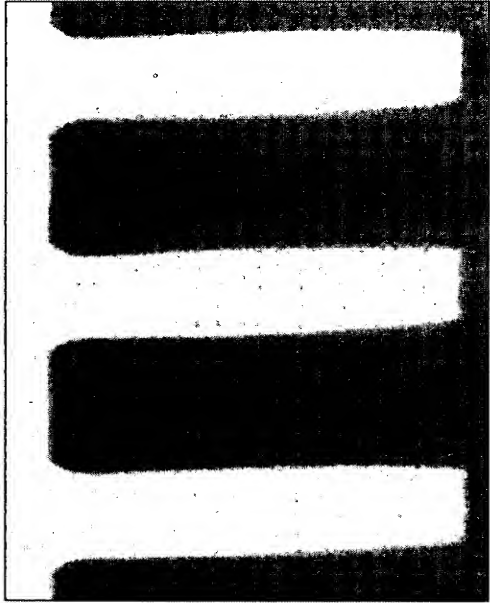
| Pulse Matrix | | | |
|--------------|----|-----------------|-----------|
| # | Ic | t_c/t_a ratio | Freq (Hz) |
| A | 4 | 25 | 10 |
| B | 4 | 25 | 100 |
| C | 4 | 49 | 10 |
| D | 4 | 49 | 100 |
| | | | Toff |
| | | | 0 |
| | | | 0 |
| | | | 0 |
| | | | 0 |

FIG. 27

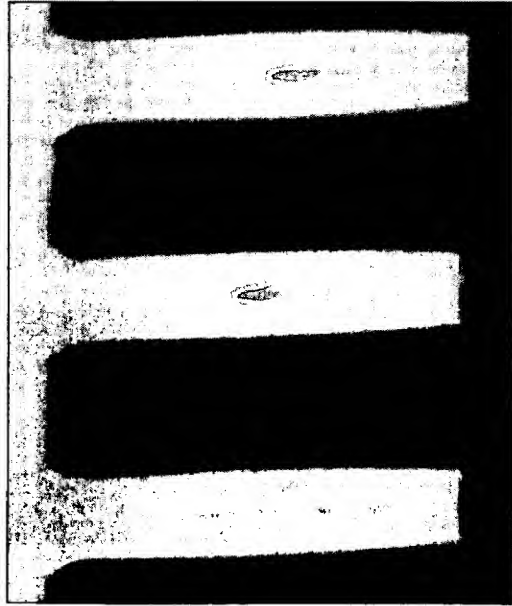
Reverse pulse matrix: Impact of t_c/t_a ratio/freq.



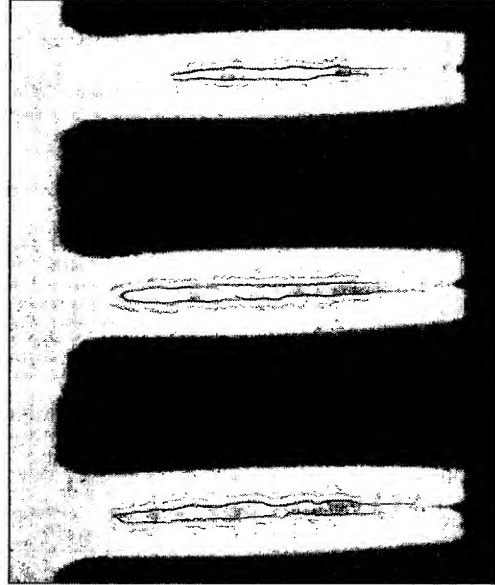
A



B



C



D

FIG. 28

•*Feature:* SEMATECH
Standard vias, Field 5, 0.34 μm , AR = 4.5
•*Seed:* 1600Å HCM
Cu/250Å HCM Ta
•*Plate:* Step 1: 0.25A DC,
50 sec
Step 2: Pulse

| Pulse Matrix | | | |
|--------------|----|-----------------|-----------|
| # | Ic | t_c/t_a ratio | Freq (Hz) |
| A | 4 | 25 | 10 |
| B | 4 | 25 | 100 |
| C | 4 | 49 | 10 |
| D | 4 | 49 | 100 |

| | | | Toff |
|--|--|--|------|
| | | | 3 |
| | | | 3 |
| | | | 3 |
| | | | 3 |

Reverse pulse matrix: Impact of t_c/t_a ratio

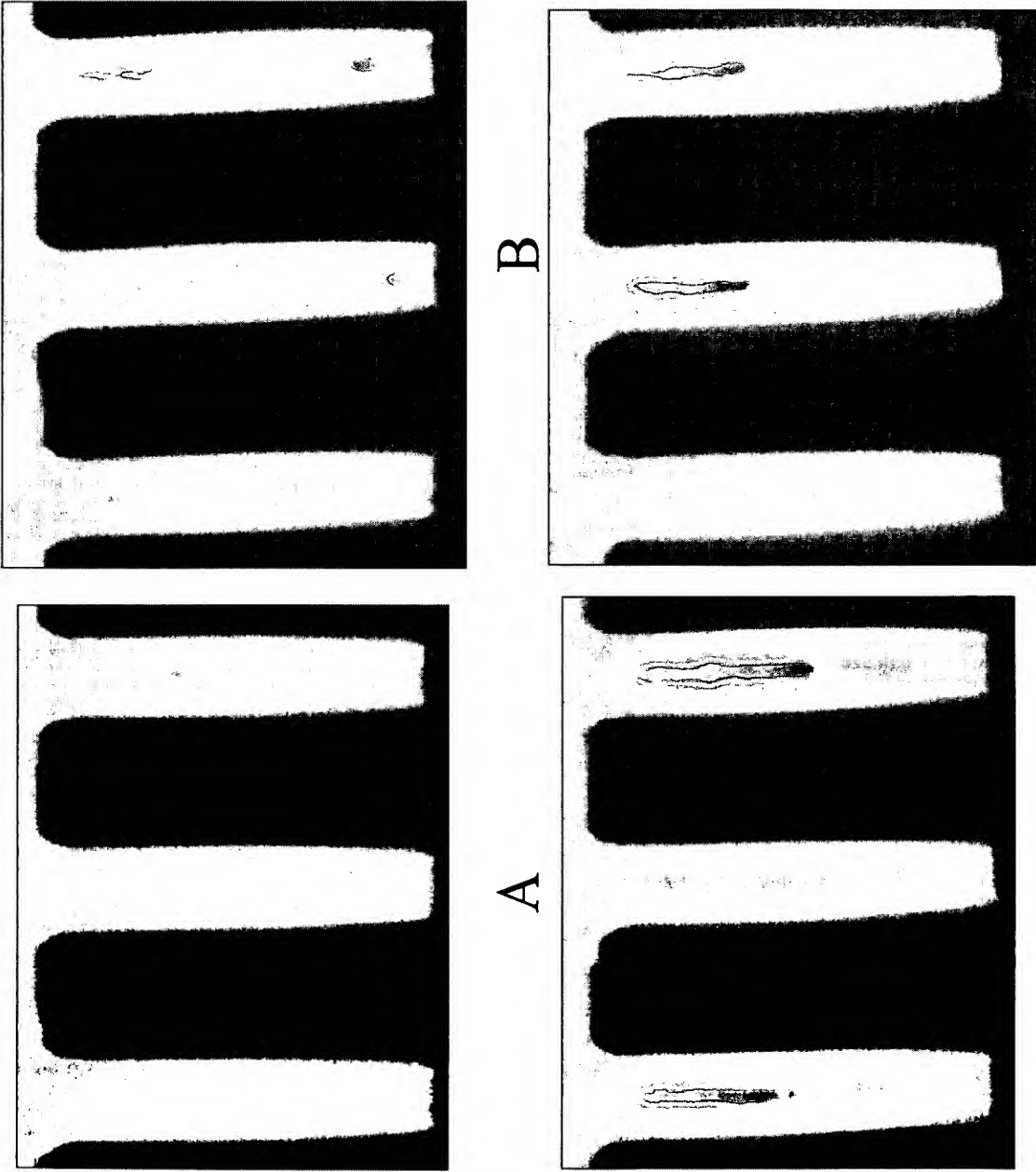
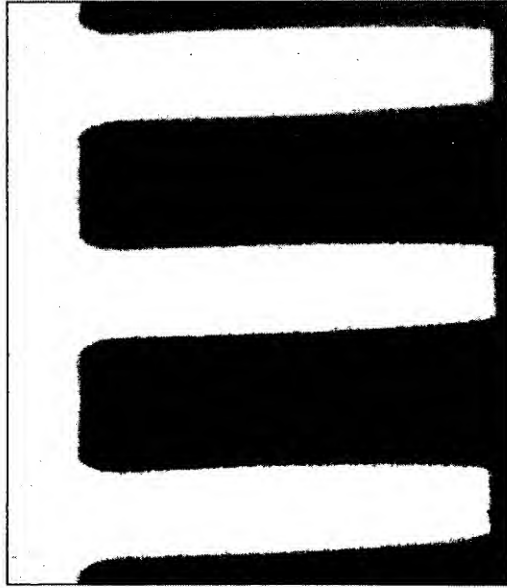


FIG. 29

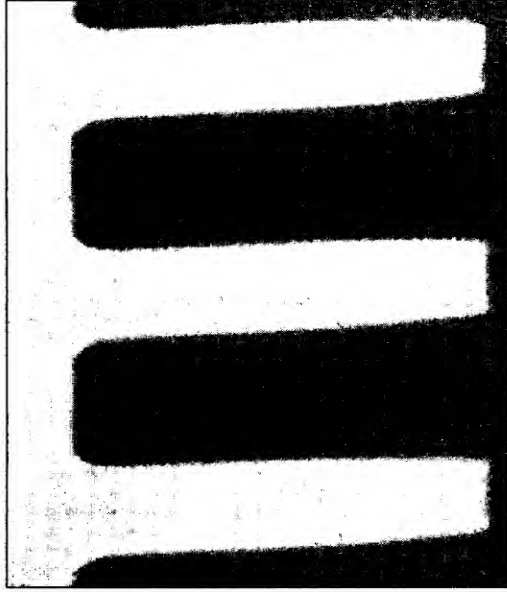
•Feature: SEMATECH
 Standard vias, Field 5, 0.34 μm , AR = 4.5
•Seed: 1600Å HCM
 Cu/250Å HCM Ta
•Plate: Step 1: 0.25A DC, 50 sec
 Step 2: Pulse

| Pulse Matrix | | | | |
|--------------|----|-----------------|-----------|------|
| # | Ic | t_c/t_a ratio | Freq (Hz) | Toff |
| C | 8 | 25 | 10 | 0 |
| D | 8 | 25 | 10 | 3 |
| C | 8 | 49 | 10 | 0 |
| D | 8 | 50 | 10 | 3 |

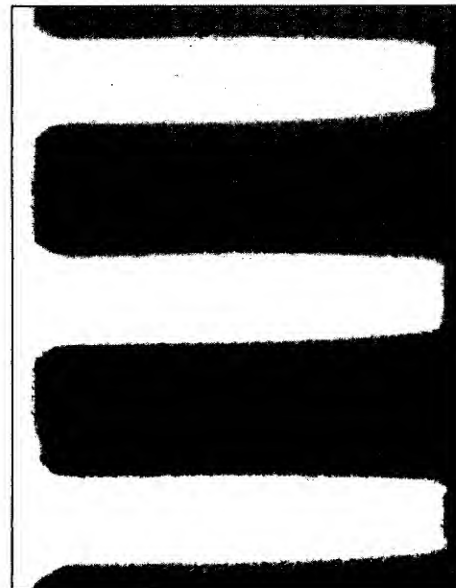
Reverse pulse matrix: Impact of cathodic current/freq.



A



B



C

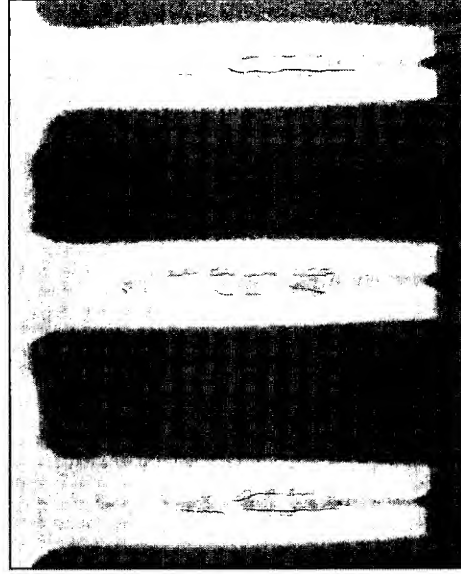
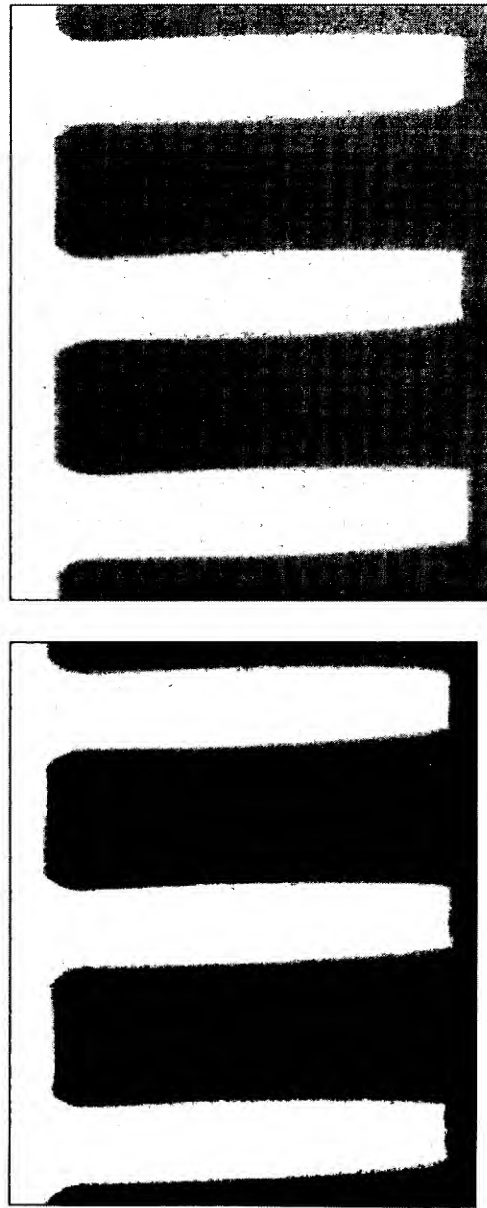


FIG. 30 D

•Feature: SEMATECH
 Standard vias, Field 5, **0.34**
 μm , AR = **4.5**
•Seed: 1600Å HCM
 Cu/250Å HCM Ta
•Plate: Step 1: 0.25A DC,
 50 sec
 Step 2: Pulse

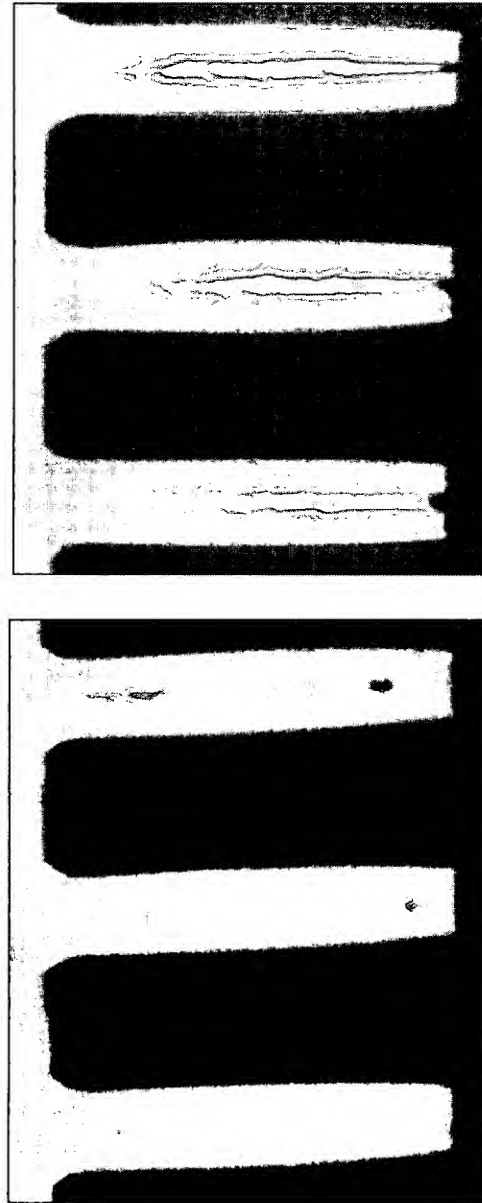
| Pulse Matrix | | | |
|--------------|----|--------------------|-------------------|
| # | Ic | t_c/t_a ratio | Freq (Hz) Toff |
| A | 4 | 25 | 10 0 |
| B | 4 | 25 | 100 0 |
| C | 8 | 25 | 10 0 |
| D | 8 | 25 | 100 0 |

Reverse pulse matrix: Impact of cathodic current/freq.



A

B



C

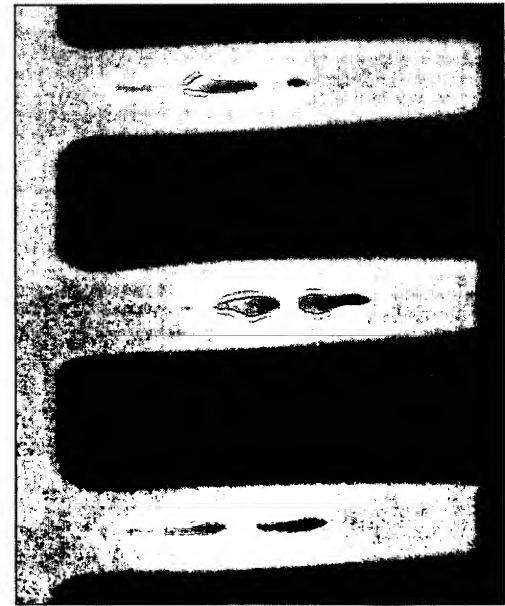
FIG. 31 D

- **Feature:** SEMATECH
Standard vias, Field 5, **0.34**
μm, **AR = 4.5**
- **Seed:** 1600Å HCM
Cu/250Å HCM Ta
- **Plate:** Step 1: 0.25A DC,
50 sec

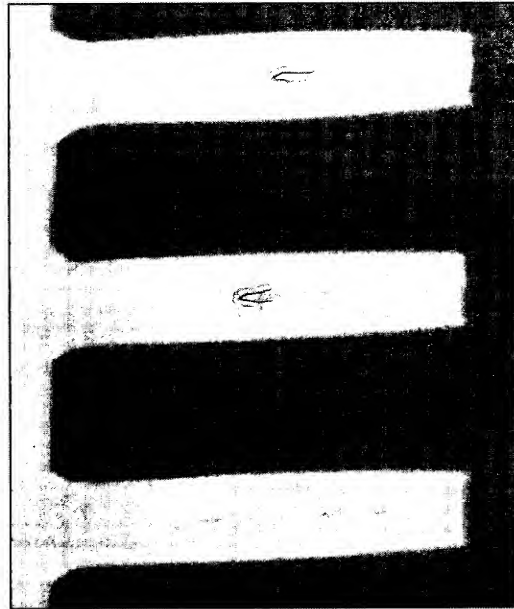
Step 2: Pulse

| Pulse Matrix | | | | |
|--------------|----|---|--------------|------|
| # | Ic | t _c /t _a ratio | Freq (Hz) | Toff |
| A | 4 | 25 | 10 | 3 |
| B | 4 | 25 | 100 | 3 |
| C | 8 | 25 | 10 | 3 |
| D | 8 | 25 | 100 | 3 |

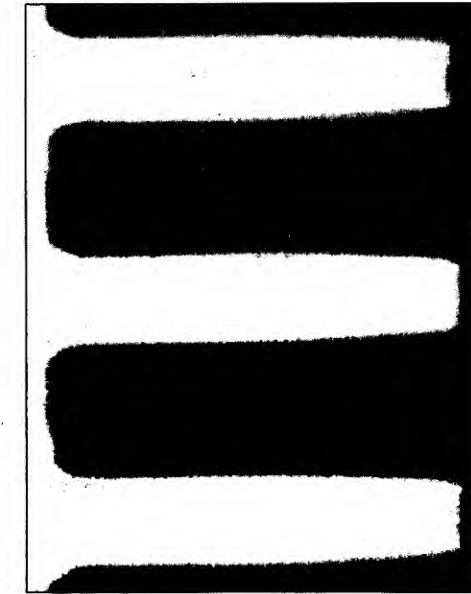
Reverse pulse matrix: impact of cathodic current/off time



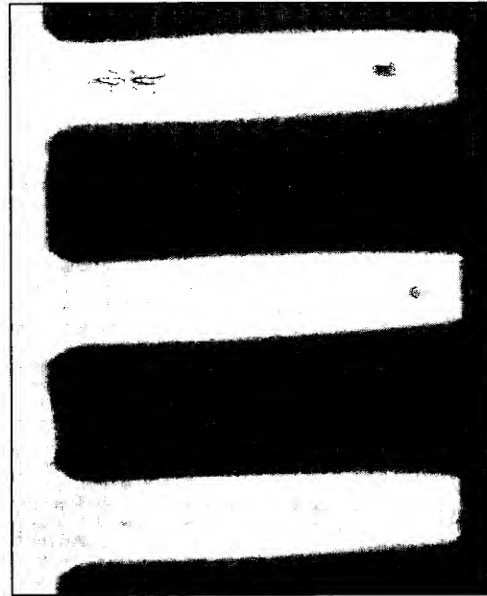
A



B



C



D

•Feature: SEMATECH
 Standard vias, Field 5, 0.34
 μm , AR = 4.5
•Seed: 1600Å HCM
 Cu/250Å HCM Ta
•Plate: Step 1: 0.25A DC,
 50 sec
 Step 2: Pulse

| Pulse Matrix | | | |
|--------------|----|------------------|--------------|
| # | Ic | t/t_a ratio | Freq (Hz) |
| A | 4 | 49 | 10 |
| B | 4 | 49 | 10 |
| C | 8 | 25 | 10 |
| D | 8 | 25 | 10 |

FIG. 32

Reverse pulse matrix:

- ◆ **Reverse pulse shows superior fill compared to DC alone**
 - Low current initiation necessary
 - Smallest features filled (0.34 μ m, 4.5 AR)
- ◆ **Initial data indicates longer reverse pulse time yields better fill**
- ◆ **100 Hz clearly shows poorer fill than 10 Hz**

Off time impact not clear

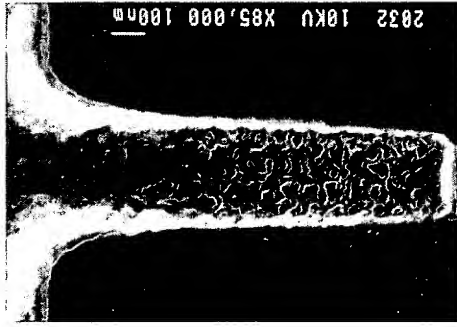
- ◆ **5:1 AR Via structure breakpoint**
 - Initiation limit-cannot overcome seed deficiency
 - Observed in backfilled via fill (Field 4, 0.21 μ m, 5:1 AR) also

Center voids eliminated on wafer edge and center by reverse pulse plating

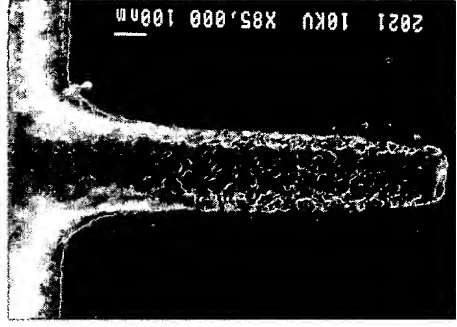
FIG. 33

HCM vs. IMP Seed Comparison on Backfilled Vias

Field 1 (.30μ)



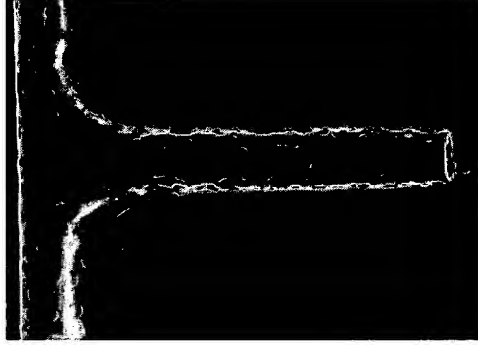
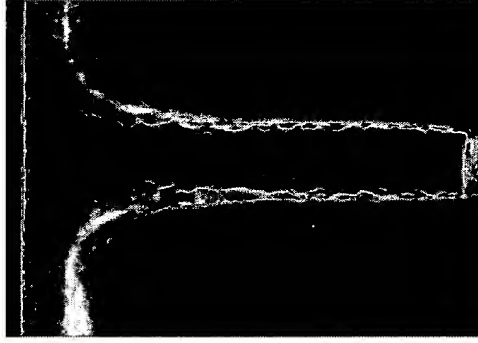
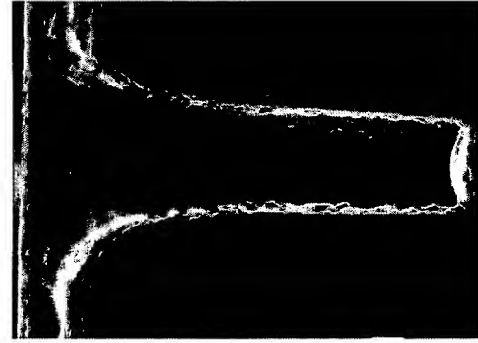
Field 3 (.25μ)



Field 4 (.21μ)



IMP



HCM
POR6

Note: 300 Å Ta + 2400 Å Cu

FIG. 34



Current Sweep Experimental Matrix #1

| Experiment Number | Initial Current (A) | Maximum Current (A) | Time to Max Current (s) | Time at Max Current (s) | Current Sweep (mA/sec) | Total Equiv. Deposition Thick (Å) |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| 1 | 0.1 | 2 | 25 | 82 | 76 | 2511 |
| 2 | 0.1 | 4 | 75 | 9 | 52 | 2505 |
| 3 | 0.1 | 4 | 60 | 17 | 65 | 2521 |
| 4 | 0.1 | 2 | 60 | 64 | 32 | 2521 |
| 5 | 0.25 | 2 | 50 | 68 | 35 | 2538 |
| 6 | 0.25 | 4 | 90 | 0 | 42 | 2525 |
| 7 | 0.25 | 4 | 45 | 24 | 83 | 2529 |
| 8 | 0.25 | 2 | 90 | 45 | 19 | 2525 |

FIG. 35

Current Sweep Experimental Matrix #1

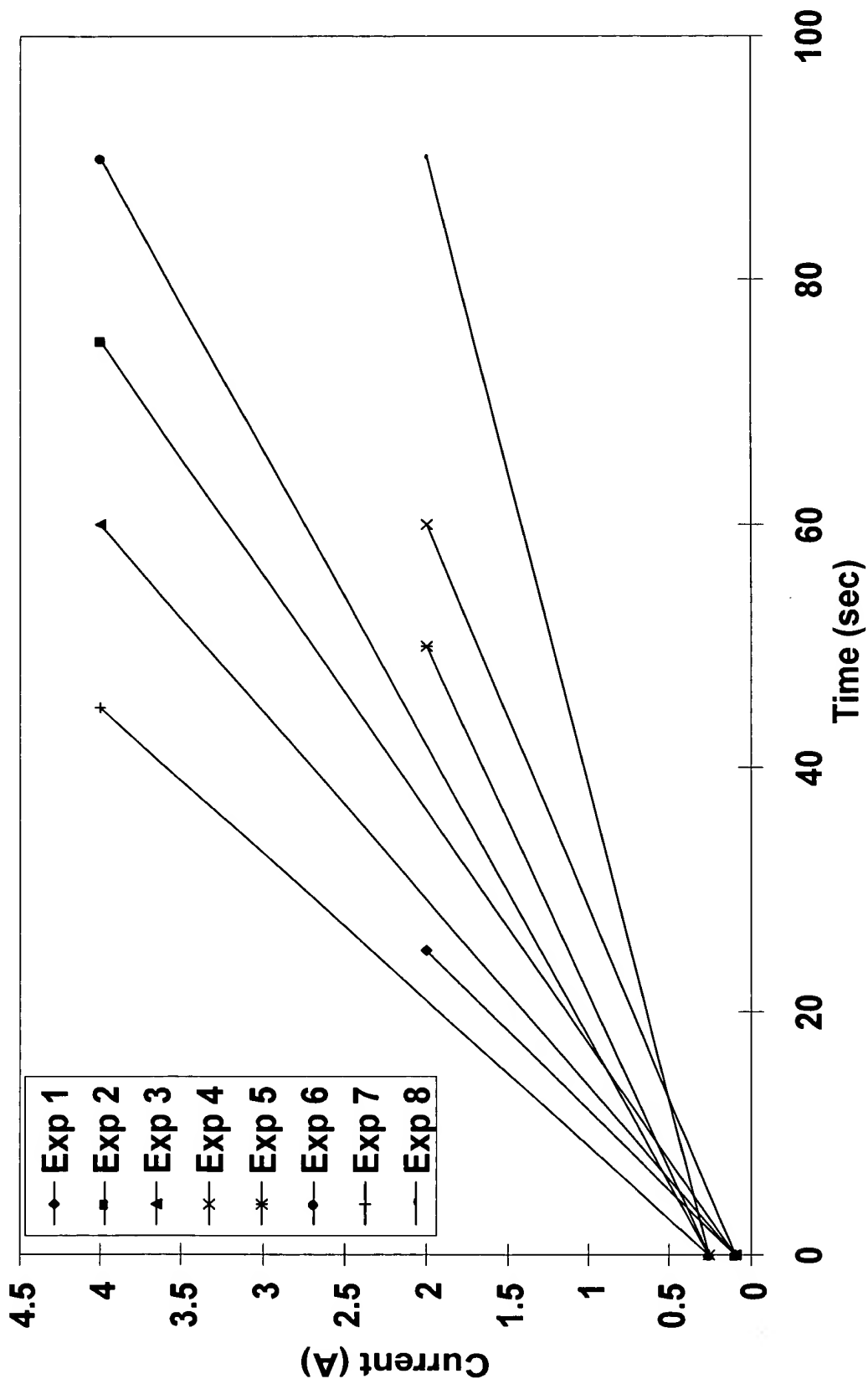
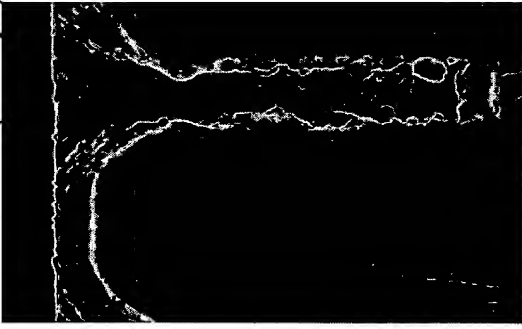


FIG. 36

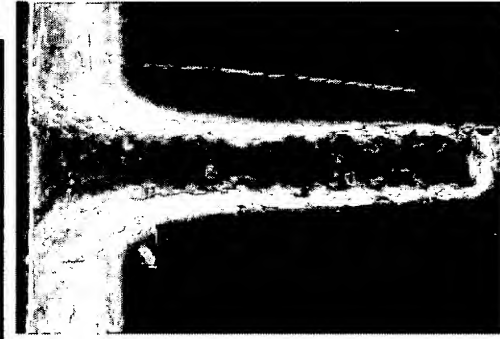
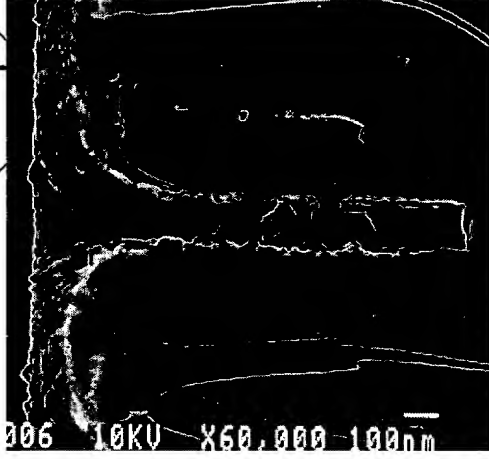
Comparison: .5 Amp to .1 Amp Initiation

Field 3 (.25 μ)

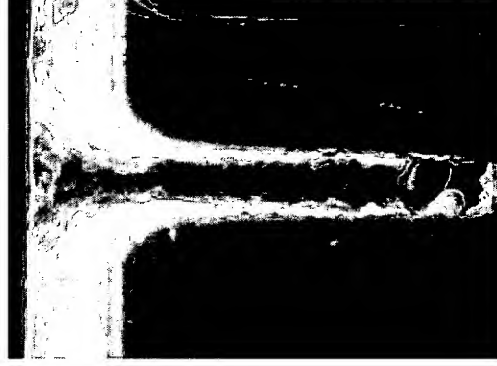


.1 A
100s

Field 4 (.21 μ)



.5 A
22.5s

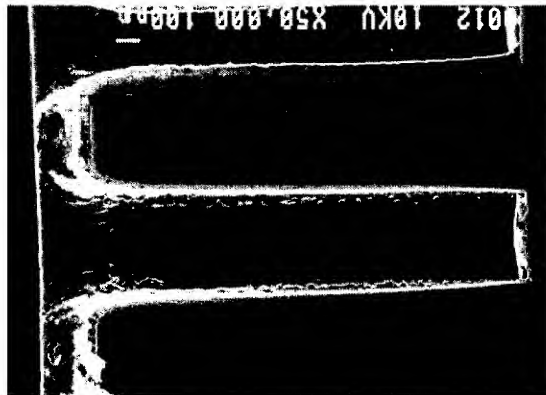


Note: HCM POR6, 300 Å Ta + 2400 Å Cu

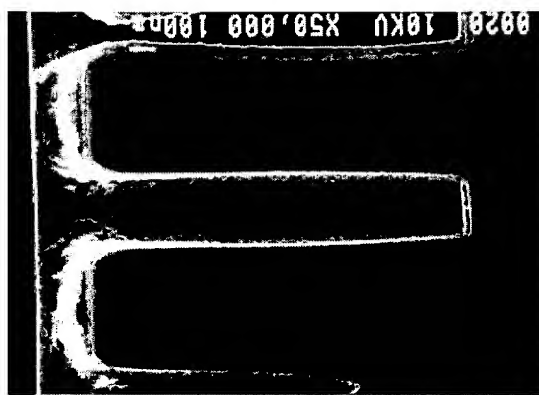
FIG. 37

Impact of induction time

0.34 μm , AR 3.9



0.55 μm , AR 3.0



HCM
Cu/Ta
1600 Å Cu
/250 Å Ta

Conclusion

- Induction removes critical seed layer

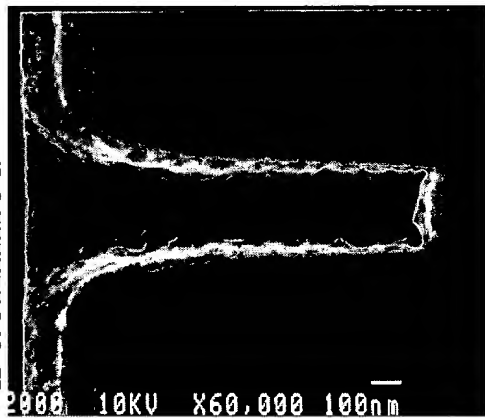
HCM seed only

After 2 sec induction

FIG. 38

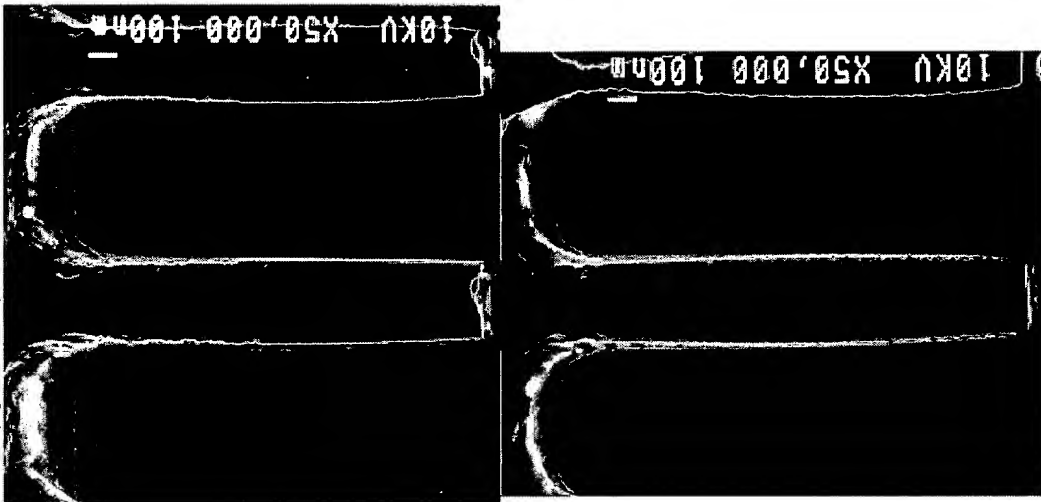
Induction Comparison: Backfilled vs. Non-backfilled Vias

Backfilled

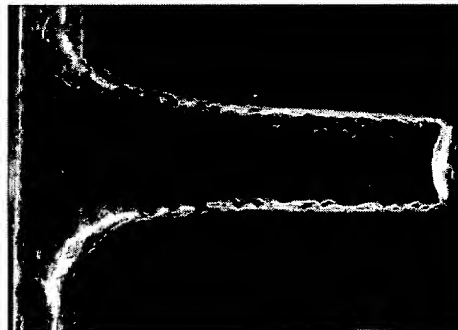


2 sec
Ind.

Non-Backfilled



Seed
Only

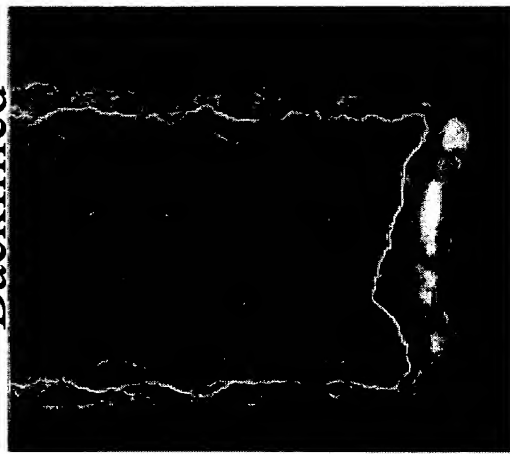


Note: HCM POR6 seed (2000-2400 Å), .3μ wide

FIG. 39

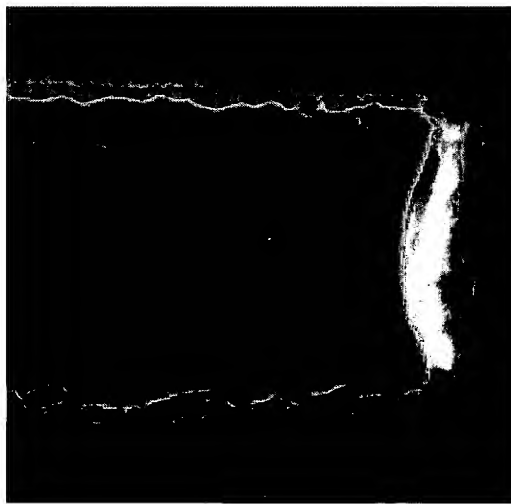
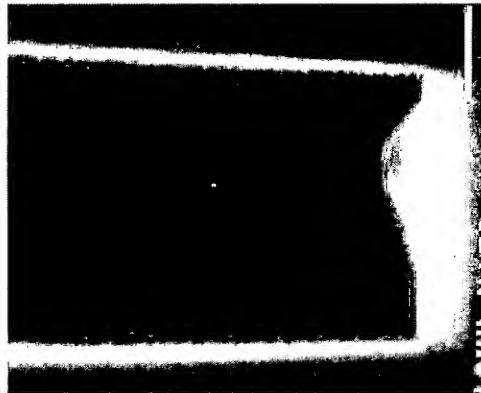
Induction Comparison: Backfilled vs. Non-Backfilled Vias

Backfilled

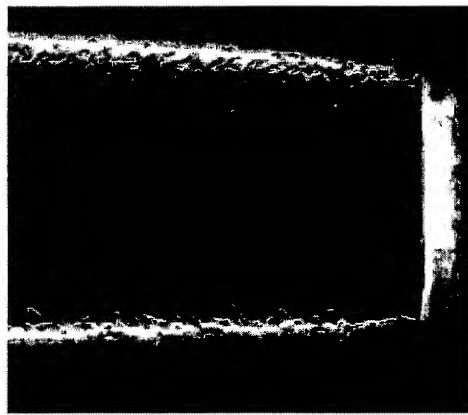


2 sec
Ind.

Non-Backfilled



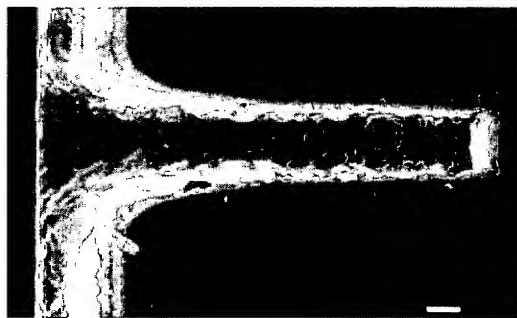
Seed
Only



Note: HCM POR6 seed (2000-2400 Å), .3 μ wide

FIG. 40

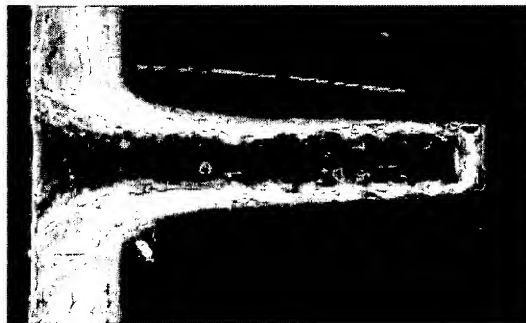
Initiation profile-Conformality



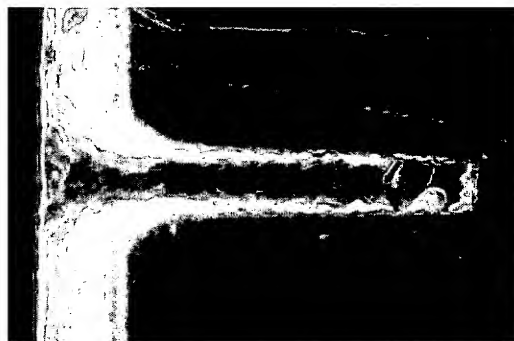
0.5 A, 7.5 sec



0.5 A, 22.5 sec



0.25 μm , 4.8 AR



0.21 μm , 4.0 AR

FIG. 41

- HCM Cu/Ta
- 1600 Å Cu
- /250 Å Ta

Conclusion

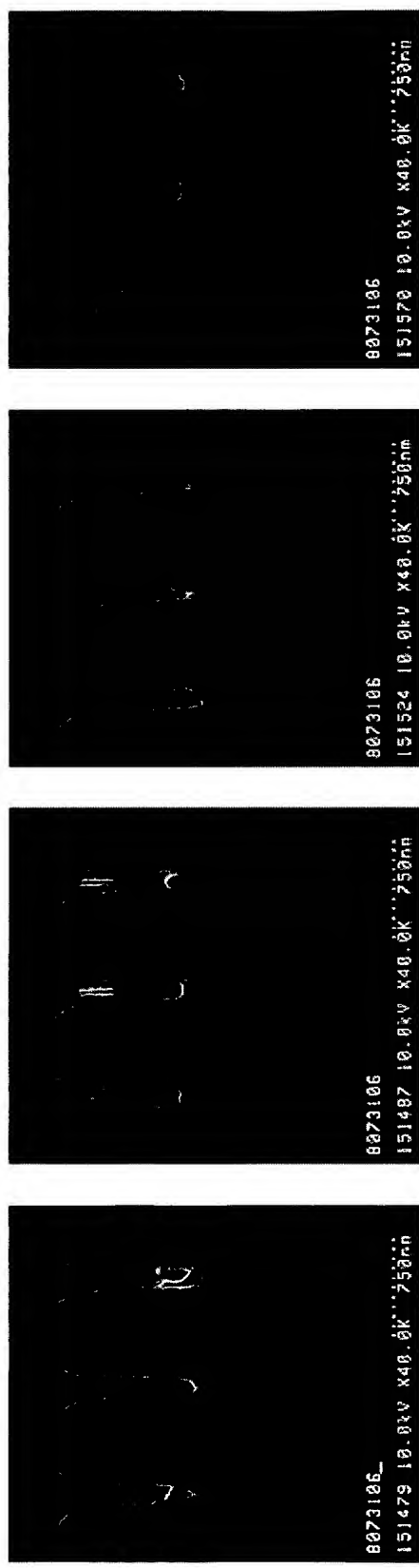
- *Conformal growth even at small features*

Unipolar Pulse Tests: 0.18 μ Via Wafers

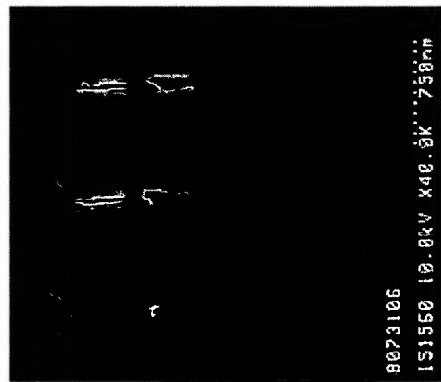
| Wafer Id | Seed Thick | Induction Time | Initiation Time | Initation Conditions | Fill Time | Fill Current |
|----------|------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------|--------------|
| 3106-03 | 1600 Å | 0 seconds | 8 seconds | 5% 20 A 0.5A DC | 15 seconds | 7 A |
| 3106-04 | 1600 Å | 0 seconds | 8 seconds | 2%, 50A 0.5A DC | 15 seconds | 7 A |
| 3106-05 | 1600 Å | 0 seconds | 16 seconds | 5% 20 A 0.5A DC | 15 seconds | 7 A |
| 3106-06 | 1600 Å | 0 seconds | 16 seconds | 2%, 50A 0.5A DC | 15 seconds | 7 A |
| 3106-08 | 1600 Å | 0 seconds | 16 seconds | 5% 20 A | 15 seconds | 7 A |

FIG. 42

Unipolar Pulse = DC Initiation: Field 4



8 sec, 5% 20A 8 sec, 2% 50A 16 sec, 5% 20A 16 sec, 2% 50A



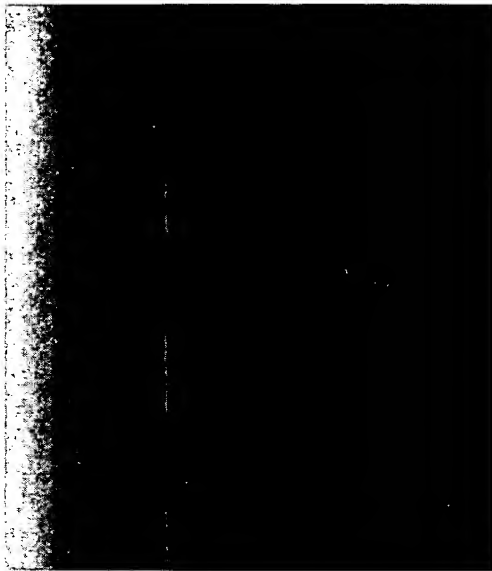
16 sec, 2% 50A

No DC background

-DC background current of 0.5A during initiation
-DC Fill of 7A for 15 seconds

FIG. 43

Initiation + Fill



- HCM Cu/Ta
- 1600 Å Cu /250 Å Ta

0.5 A, 7.5 sec



0.5 A, 22.5 sec

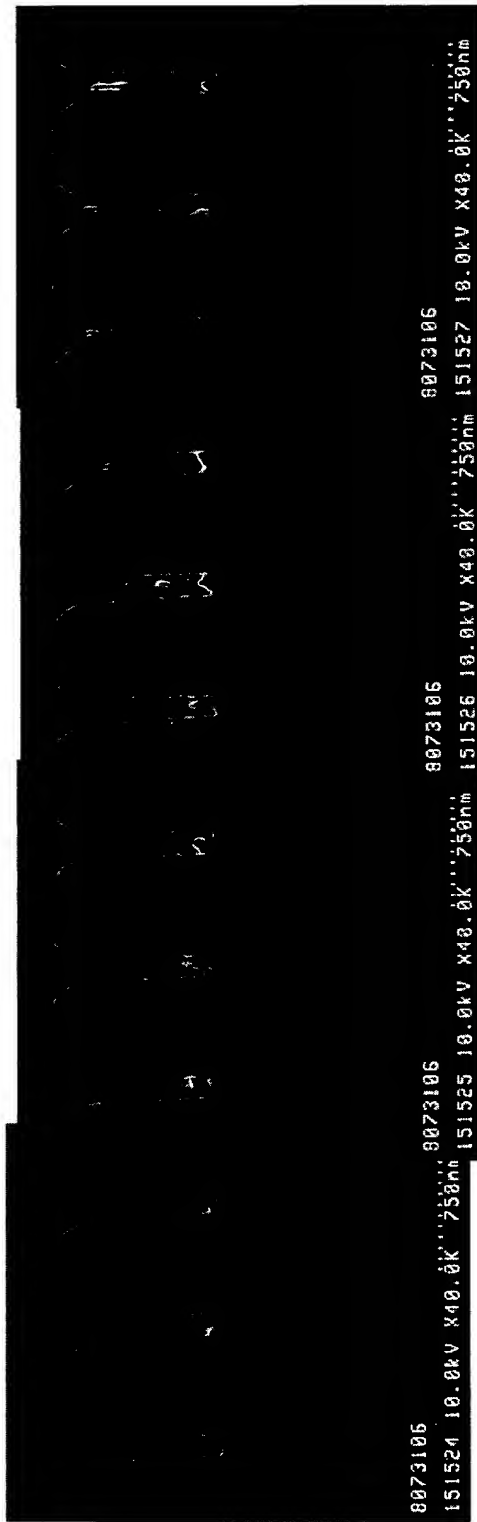
Conclusion

- Initiation does not build seed at the bottom sidewall
- Correlates to final void formation

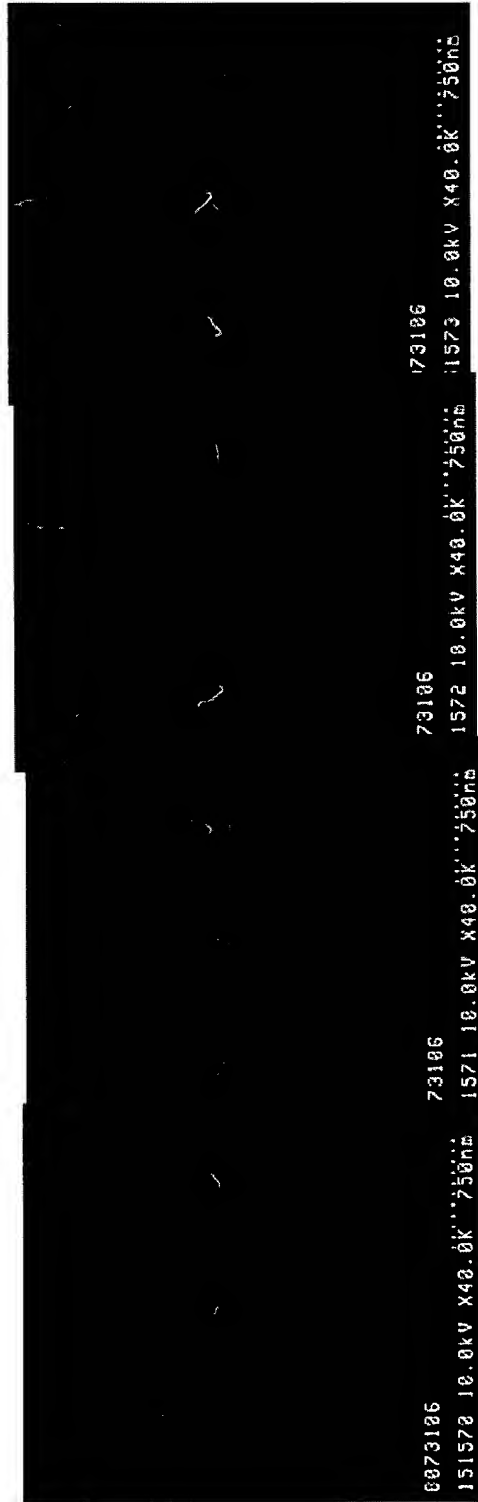
0.25 μm, 4.8 AR 0.21 μm, 4.0 AR

FIG. 44

Comparison of 0.5 A Initiation: Unipolar Pulsing Conditions



16 sec, 5% 20A



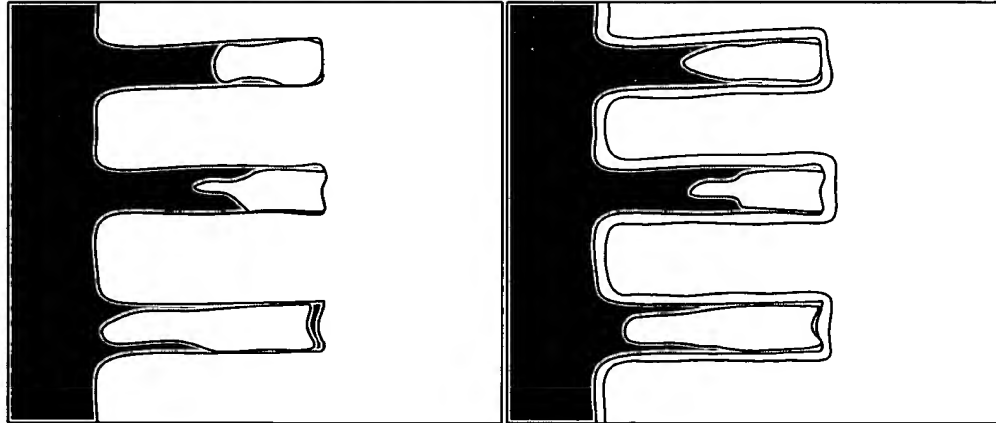
16 sec, 2% 50A

FIG. 45



FIG. 46

Without Initiation: IMP seed:



- ◆ SEMATECH Backfilled via, Field 3, 0.24 μm x 1.13 μm , AR = 4.7
- ◆ Bottom Voids - Yes
- ◆ Side wall Voids - No
- ◆ Top Void - No
- ◆ Center Seam - No
- ◆ Film nucleation - poor
- ◆ Void % = 90%
- ◆ 2 second induction

Barrier/Seed Layer

- IMP
- 250Å Ta/1600Å Cu
- Degas Temp.?
- Sputter etch thickness:?
- wafer bias:?

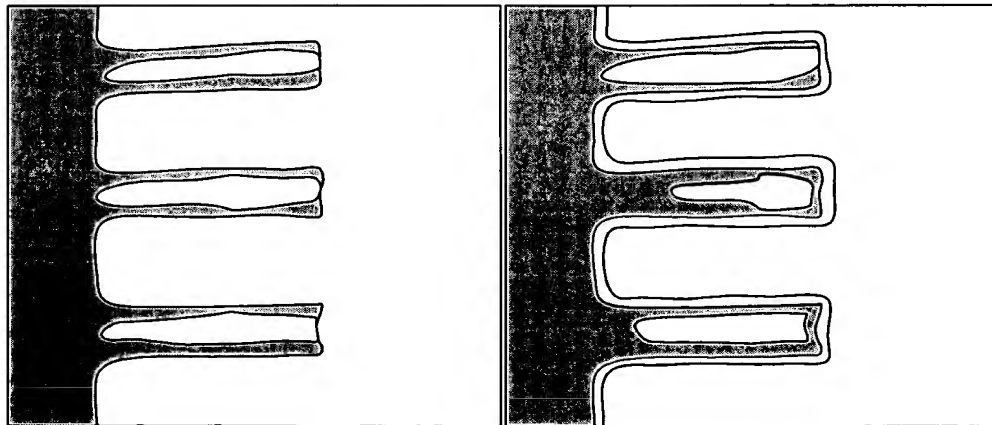
Electroplating

- DC, 7 A
- Bath Conditions
- [Cu⁺²] = 17.3 g/l H₂SO₄ = 176 g/l
- [MLO] = 3 ml/l [MD] = 8 ml/l
- [Cl⁻] = 55 ppm Temp = 22°C
- Flow = 8 lpm RPM: 125

FIG. 47

Without Initiation: IMP seed:

- ◆ SEMATECH Backfilled via, Field 3, 0.24 μm x 1.13 μm , AR = 4.7
- ◆ Bottom Voids - Yes
- ◆ Side wall Voids - No
- ◆ Top Void - No
- ◆ Center Seam - No
- ◆ Film nucleation - poor
- ◆ Void % = 70%
- ◆ 2 second induction



Barrier/Seed Layer

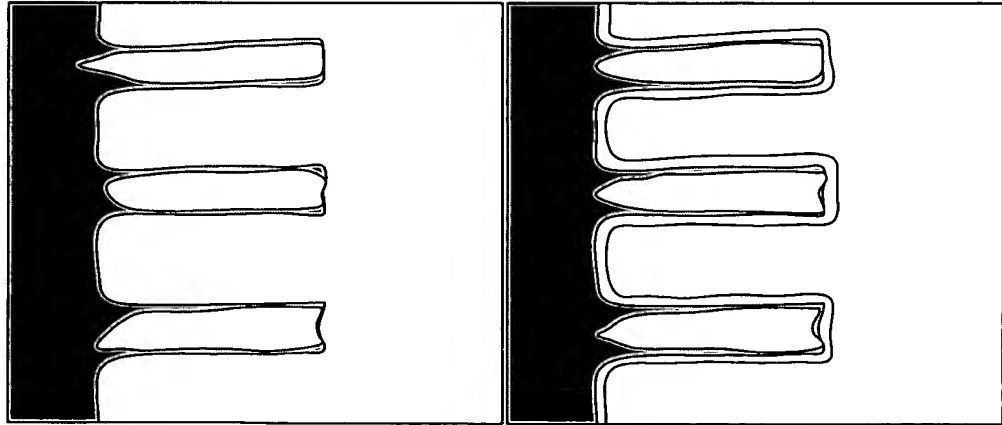
- IMP
- 250Å Ta/2200Å Cu
- Degas Temp.?
- Sputter etch thickness:?
- wafer bias:?

Electroplating

- DC, 1 A, 15 sec then 7 A
- Bath Conditions
- [Cu⁺²] = 17.3 g/l H₂SO₄ = 176 g/l
- [MLO] = 3 ml/l [MD] = 8 ml/l
- [Cl⁻] = 55 ppm Temp = 22°C
- Flow = 8 lpm RPM: 125

FIG. 48

Without Initiation: IMP seed:



- ◆ SEMATECH Backfilled via, Field 2, 0.29 μm x 1.14 μm , AR = 4.0
- ◆ Bottom Voids - Yes
- ◆ Side wall Voids - No
- ◆ Top Void - No
- ◆ Center Seam - No
- ◆ Film nucleation - poor
- ◆ Void % = 90%
- ◆ 2 second induction

Barrier/Seed Layer

-IMP
-250Å Ta/1600Å Cu
-Degas Temp.?
-Sputter etch thickness:?
-wafer bias:?

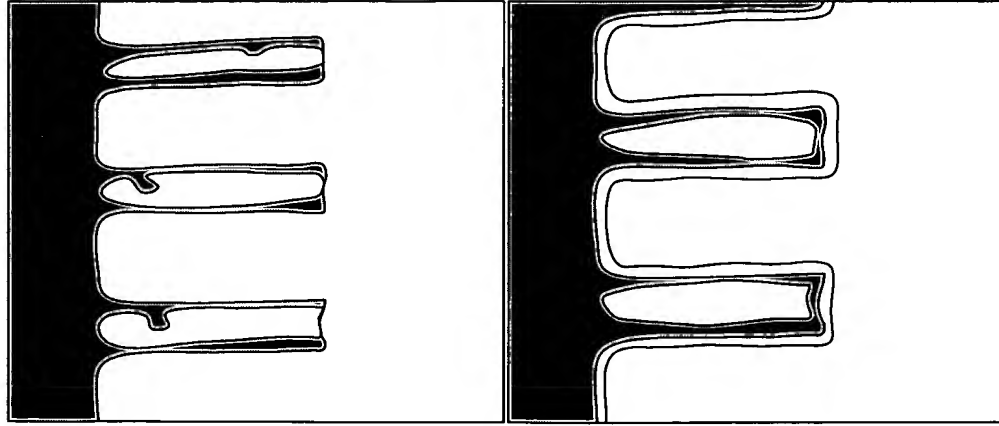
Electroplating

-DC, 7 A
Bath Conditions
[Cu⁺²] = 17.3 g/l H₂SO₄ = 176 g/l
[MLO] = 3 ml/l [MD] = 8 ml/l
[Cl⁻] = 55 ppm Temp = 22°C
Flow = 8 lpm RPM: 125

FIG. 49

Without Initiation: IMP seed:

- ◆ SEMATECH Backfilled via, Field 2, 0.29 μm x 1.14 μm , AR = 4.0
- ◆ Bottom Voids - Yes
- ◆ Side wall Voids - No
- ◆ Top Void - No
- ◆ Center Seam - No
- ◆ Film nucleation - poor
- ◆ Void % = 60%
- ◆ 2 second induction



Barrier/Seed Layer

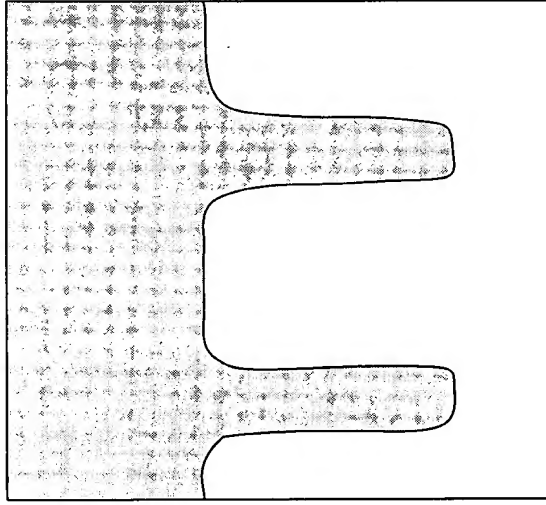
- IMP
- 250Å Ta/2200Å Cu
- Degas Temp.?
- Sputter etch thickness:?
- wafer bias:?

Electroplating

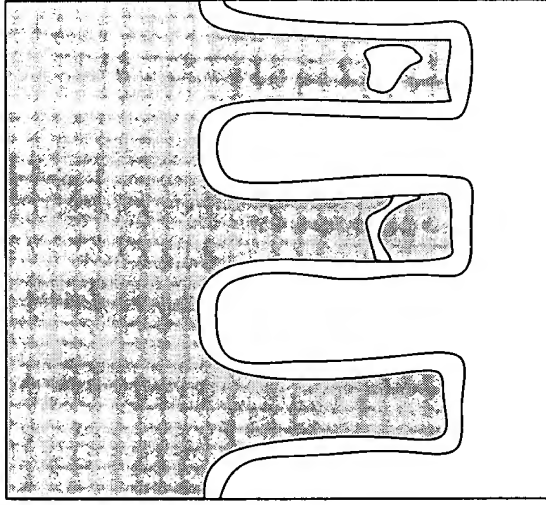
- DC, 1 A, 15 sec then 7 A
- Bath Conditions
- [Cu⁺²] = 17.3 g/l H₂SO₄ = 176 g/l
- [MLO] = 3 ml/l [MD] = 8 ml/l
- [Cl⁻] = 55 ppm Temp = 22°C
- Flow = 8 lpm RPM: 125

FIG. 50

Initiation: Low current, 2 second induction

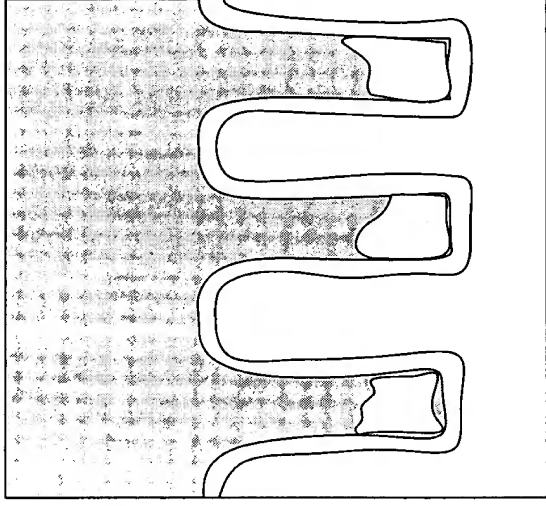


Field 2, 0.29 μm x 1.14 μm , AR = 4.0



Field 3, 0.24 μm x 1.13 μm , AR = 4.7

• Void % = 1.3%



Field 4, 0.2 μm x 1.0 μm , AR = 5.0

• Void % = 15.8%

- ◆ SEMATECH Backfilled via
- ◆ IMP Seed
- ◆ 250Å Ta/1600Å Cu

Electroplating

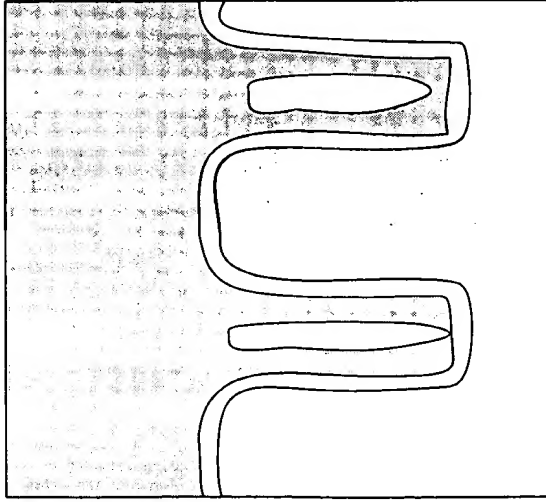
- ◆ Step 1: 1A for 15 sec
- ◆ Step 2: DC, 7 A

Bath Conditions

[Cu⁺²] = 17.3 g/l H₂SO₄ = 176 g/l
[MLO] = 3 ml/l [MD] = 8 ml/l
[Cl⁻] = 55 ppm Temp = 22 °C
Flow = 8 lpm RPM: 125

FIG. 51

Initiation: Effect of Induction Delay



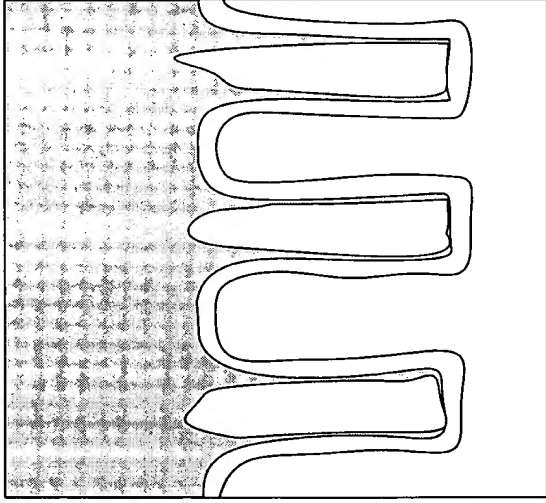
- ◆ DC, 7 A, 0 sec. induction
- ◆ Void % = 16 %

◆ SEMATECH Backfilled via

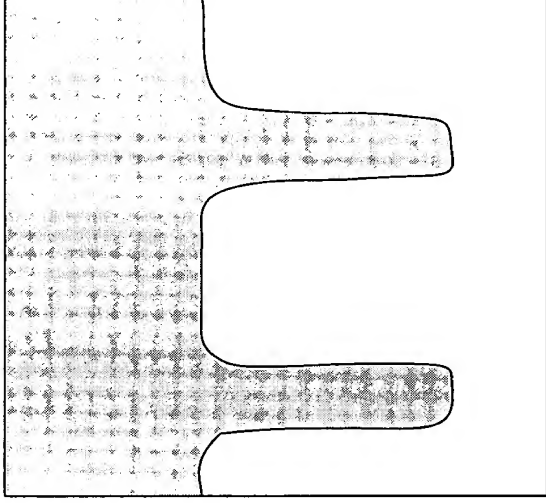
◆ IMP Seed

◆ 250Å Ta/1600Å Cu

Field 2, 0.29 μm x 1.14 μm, AR=4.0



- ◆ DC, 7 A, 2 sec induction
- ◆ Void % = 53 %



- ◆ Step 1: DC 1 A, 15 sec, 2 sec induction
- ◆ Step 2: DC, 7 A
- ◆ Void % = 53 %

Bath Conditions

[Cu⁺²] = 17.3 g/l H₂SO₄ = 176 g/l
 [MLO] = 3 ml/l [MD] = 8 ml/l
 [Cl⁻] = 55 ppm Temp = 22 °C
 Flow = 8 lpm RPM: 125

FIG. 52